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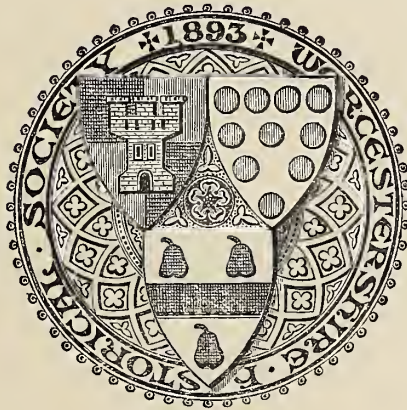
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PREFACE.

THIS Register was issued in 1907 with a note that "Mr. Willis Bund, owing to press of business, has not yet been able to complete the introduction." If any man was justified in pleading press of business it was Mr. Willis Bund. His work for the county was in itself far more than sufficient for any ordinary man; and that was not his only activity. It was a marvel to his friends how he got through so much.

As Editor of the Society I bothered him from time to time about the introduction, and always found him wishful and hoping to do it. But press of business went on almost to the end of his long life, and now it has to be done by someone else, or not at all. My apology and qualification for doing it must be that I think it ought to be done and cannot get anyone else to do it.

R. A. WILSON.

Witley Rectory,
Worcester.

Postscript.—When the above was written I hoped that the introduction would be out in 1928, the year to which it is reckoned to belong.

I wish to do two things. One is to apologize for the delay, and the other to record my debt and that of the Society to Mr. F. T. S. Houghton. He has given me extracts from and references to books which I have not read, and much else from his own store of knowledge, besides taking infinite trouble in supplying my expressed wants.

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INTRODUCTION.

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Archbishop of Canterbury—

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| Robert Winchelsey | consecrated 12 Sep. 1294. |
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43rd Bishop of Worcester—

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Prior of Worcester—

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The Bishop's Official—

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Sequestrator—

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¹ Reg. Giff., f. 392d, p. 461.

² He was Vicar-General during the Bishop's absence abroad, Oct. 1305 to Mar. 1306, and was murdered at some time before 13 May 1306. See pp. 26, 28, 75, 142.

³ He administered the diocese during the Bishop's absences abroad after the death of W. de Wotton. See pp. 29, 117, 181. I have not found his original appointment as Official,

⁴ P. 25.

The Bishop.

Of William de Geynesburgh's¹ parentage, birth, and early years nothing is known.² He first appears as a Franciscan Friar, and that he was Reader in Theology to the Franciscans at Oxford,³ and a Doctor⁴ of that University, suggests that he was educated there, but does not prove it. By 1285 he had become Minister of the Franciscans of the Province of England,⁵ which argues that he was then a person of some seniority. He was a man of learning and an author of books of Scholastic theology, "*Quaestiones, Disceptationes and Sermones*,"⁶ and well qualified for his doctor's degree.

His first recorded employment in affairs of State was in August 1294, when he was one of an embassy to the King of France.⁷

¹ *The Bishop's name.* I have ventured to change Mr. Willis Bund's "Ginsborough" to "Geynesburgh," which is the title on the Register itself and the most usual of contemporary spellings. The modern Gainsborough would have been nearer to the title under which the printed volume has passed for more than twenty years, but it seems due to the bishop to have his name as he himself knew it, and "Ginsborough" does not appear to have been a known form.

Mr. F. T. S. Houghton sends me an interesting list of spellings both of the bishop's name and of the place—

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| Geyneburg(h) | 1285 | Giff. Reg. |
| Gaynesbur(h) | 1302 | S. V. Reg. |
| Geynesboruwe | 1302, 1303 | " |
| Geynesborow | 1313 | " |
| Geynesburg | 1304 | Geyns. Reg. |
| Geynesburgh | 1307, 1308, 1313 | S. V. Reg. (6 times), Pat. Rolls 1292—1303 (9 times), Close Rolls 1296—1302 (twice). |
| Geynesburgh | 1307 | S. V. Reg. |
| Gaynesburgh | — | Pat. Rolls (once), Close Rolls (once). |
| Place Gegnesburh | 1013 | A. S. Chron. |
| Gainesburh | 1013 | Sim. of Durh. |
| Gainesburgh | 1086 | Dom. Bk. |

To which may be added Geinesburge, Genesburge, Geinesburg, and Geynesburg from Bp. Welles' Reg. (1209—35), and Geyneburg, Gayneburg, Geinesburg, Gaynesburg, and Geinsburg from Bp. Grossetete's Reg. (1235—53).

² Geynesburgh was at Lincoln on Ascension Day, 1303. There was, so far as I can find out, no gathering which he would be attending as bishop. The natural inference is that he took the first possible opportunity after his long sojourn abroad to go and visit his relations and friends in Lincolnshire.

³ Mr. A. G. Little tells me that his readership to the Friars implies that he was also Regent Master in Theology in the University, an office which usually lasted from 1½ to 2 years. He was the 25th of the 67 Readers in the list in *Monumenta Franciscana*, i. 353.

⁴ *Monumenta Franciscana*, i. 337: "Doctor Oxonie."

⁵ *Lib. Eccles. Wigorn.* (W. H. S.), 14, 19, and *Monumenta Franciscana*, i. 560: "Ministri Provinciales. In Anglia duodecimus minister frater Willelmus de Geynesburgh qui in Curia Romana legit cursorie et ordinarie, Doctor Theologie et episcopus Wygornie." ⁶ Bale's *Centuriae*, iv. 91 (teste D.N.B.). ⁷ Patent Roll 1294, Aug. 24.

Next year he attended a General Chapter of the Franciscans at Assisi, and the King, having matters to bring before it, gave him letters of credence to the Ministers and Council of the Order, in which he is described as "sworn of the King's Council."¹

The chief of the King's agents in the negotiations with France was John de Pontissara, Bishop of Winchester. He seems to have been abroad continuously from late in 1295 to early in 1298.² The negotiations led in 1299 to the Peace of Chartres and the marriage of Edward with Philip's sister Margaret. Geynesburgh's association with Pontissara seems to have ripened into friendship, for he was one of the executors of the latter's will.³

In 1300 he went with the Bishop of Winchester and others to Pope Boniface, who had been appointed to arbitrate between Edward and Philip, to receive and confirm the Pope's award.⁴ The Pope, finding him an able man and a stout upholder of papal claims, got him to stay on at Rome, and made him Reader in Theology in the Papal Palace.⁵ He stayed there with the King's good will and retained his confidence, for, when envoys were being sent to the Pope in June 1302 to hear a further pronouncement concerning the peace with France, "Friar William de Geynesburgh, who is at the Roman Court," was joined with them.⁶

Thus Geynesburgh came to be on the spot when the Pope wanted a nominee of his own for the bishopric of Worcester.

Bishop Godfrey Giffard died 26 January 1301-2, and on 20 February the King granted leave to the Prior and Convent to elect.⁷ Their choice fell on John de Sancto Germano, a monk of their house, wise in temporal and spiritual matters.⁸ The King approved, but the Archbishop for some reason did not, and submitted a case to the Pope, alleging irregularities in the election. The Prior and Convent appealed against

¹ Pat. Roll 1295, Mar. 1, and Close Roll, same date.

² *Life of Bp. John of Pontoise*, by W. W. Capes. Winchester Dio. Chron., xii. 112-14. Reprinted in *Reg. J. de Pontissara* (C. and Y. Soc.), Int., viii.

³ Reg., f. 6, p. 15.

⁴ Pat. Roll 1300, April 15.

⁵ *Mon. Fran.*, i. 560: "legit cursorie et ordinarie." Mr. Little tells me that the significance of these words at Oxford was that "cursorie" meant lectures on the Bible given by Bachelors, and confined to explanation of the text, while "ordinary" lectures were given by Masters, and might deal with any theological or philosophical questions arising out of the text. If this was the meaning at Oxford no doubt it was the same at Rome, except that in this case, at any rate, the lecturer was a doctor of divinity.

⁶ Close Roll 1302, June 13, and Pat. Roll 1302, Sep. 9.

⁷ Reg. Sede Vacante, f. 1 d, p. 2, and for a full account of the proceedings which followed see Introduction to Part I, iv-viii.

⁸ *Ibid.*, f. 1, p. 1.

the Archbishop, and the elect went himself to Rome to uphold the appeal,¹ taking a letter of recommendation from the King.²

The Pope persuaded him to relinquish his claim, and in Consistory on 20 October "provided" Geynesburgh, who was consecrated on the 28th.³ Friar Richard de Bromwich, in sending to the Prior a copy of a letter reporting these events, writes, "This news is most unpleasant," and adds a quotation from Proverbs xviii. 16, *Donum hominis dilatat viam eius et inter principes spatium ei facit*,⁴ implying that bribery had turned the scale. But one would think that a little brother of St. Francis would be even less able to give gifts than a monk of Worester with the Convent behind him. It is true that the Pope gave him leave to borrow 1000 florins towards his expenses at Rome, but that was not till more than a month after his appointment.⁵

Geynesburgh had left Rome before 15 December,⁶ and on reaching England went to see the King, saying mass before him at Windsor on the Purification (2 February 1303).⁷ The King made him renounce the Pope's grant of the temporalities and spiritualities of the see and take another from himself, as was done thereafter in the case of all "provided" bishops.⁸ He was also fined 1000 marks in Chancery "for certain words prejudicial to the King's dignity contained in a papal bull upon his collation to the bishopric." This fine he never paid, and was excused it and pardoned three years later.⁹

From Windsor he wrote to the Prior on 5 February suggesting some pecuniary assistance.¹⁰ The Prior sent assurances of fidelity and £20.¹¹ On 7 February the Archbishop wrote from Lambeth that the new bishop had made profession of canonical obedience, and that the spiritualities and temporalities were to be delivered to him;¹² the King had issued his mandate for the restoring of the temporalities on 4 February.¹³

Lack of money seems to have stayed the bishop from his diocese and enthronement. He had been forced to borrow. He writes from London on 17 February saying that he is hastening to free himself from the London merchants, and complaining of the expense of living there.¹⁴ On the 27th he is hoping to start on the second Sunday in Lent and travel by Reading and Oxford, leaving the latter on his right,

¹ Reg. Sede Vacante, f. 8, p. 14.

² *Ibid.*, p. 15.

³ *Ibid.*, f. 13d, p. 32.

⁴ "A man's gift widens his way, and makes room for him among the great."

⁵ Cal. Papal Letters, 1302, 8 K. Dec.

⁶ Reg. Sede Vacante, f. 16d, p. 42.

⁷ *Ibid.*, f. 15d, p. 37.

⁸ D.N.B.

⁹ Pat. Roll 1306, Mar. 21.

¹⁰ Reg. Sede Vacante, f. 15d, p. 37.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, f. 15d, p. 38.

¹² *Ibid.*

¹³ Pat. Roll 1303, Feb. 4.

¹⁴ S. V., f. 16, p. 40.

as he is making for Horton, whither he wants the Prior to come and meet him and bring the late bishop's register with him.¹

He was at Horton 13 to 16 February,² and the Prior and others came to him there, but the meeting was not wholly satisfactory, because the Prior and Convent would not promise any definite sum, and he would not fix his enthronement until he saw his way to the expenses of it.³

The Prior, as a reason for not supplying the bishop with more money, had pleaded a debt of £60 to Henry de Bluntesdon, the King's Almoner.⁴ This debt the Almoner assigned to the bishop as part of a loan of £100 towards the expenses of his enthronement, and asked the Prior to pay over the money as soon as possible.⁵ This was not very soon, for there is a receipt from the bishop for £40 owing to H. de B. dated 27 September.⁶

However, on 22 April the bishop felt himself in a position to write from Monks' Wootton and fix the Octave of Trinity for his enthronement.⁷ Meanwhile he occupied himself with diocesan affairs, including ordinations at Bristol on *Silientes* (the eve of the 5th Sunday in Lent)⁸ and at Kidderminster on the eve of Trinity.⁹

A full account of his enthronement is given in the *Sede Vacante Register*.¹⁰ It is as follows:—

Memorandum quod in Vigilia Translationis Sancti Edmundi Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi et Sanctorum Primi et Feliciani Martirum, videlicet vi. Id. Junii, episcopus Frater W. de Geynesboruwe pernoctavit apud Kemeseyam, et Frater J. de Wik' Prior Wygorniensis comedit cum ipso illo die. Et dixit Priori quod non arriperet iter versus Wygorniam pro sua Intronizatione in crastino antequam Prior veniret sibi apud Kemeseyam. Tum Prior annuebat ei ex gracia speciali quod sibi veniret, cum ex consuetudine tantum per leucam deberet sibi obviasse, sicut patet in Consuetudinario. Et fuit intronizatus Anno gracie Millesimo Trecentesimo tertio, et anno Regni Regis Edwardi filii Regis Henrici Tricesimo primo. Littera dominicali F. Luna XI. Die translationis Sancti Edmundi Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi et Sanctorum Martirum Primi et Feliciani, scilicet v Id. Junii, sub tali modo:

Prior predictus mane venit ad eum apud Kemeseyam cum Sacrista et Capellano et alio monacho et cum alia familia sua, et dicebat ei quod hora fuit eundi. Episcopus concessit quod die preterita dicebat se velle Intronizari si fieri posset ante horam tertiam, propter calorem diei et concursum populi.

¹ S. V., f. 17, p. 43.

² Reg., pp. 6, 7.

³ S. V., f. 17d, p. 46.

⁴ S. V., f. 15d, p. 38.

⁵ S. V., f. 19, p. 52.

⁶ Liber Albus, f. 16, p. 11.

⁷ S. V., f. 17d, p. 46.

⁸ Reg., f. 13d, p. 32.

⁹ Reg., f. 14d, p. 36.

¹⁰ F. 19d, p. 52.

De processione parochianorum et Fratrum Minorum. Statim obviaverunt sibi Abbates, scilicet de Evesham, Teukcsburia, Persora, et alii prelati, similiter obviaverunt sibi Episcopi Herfordie et Landaucnsis cum archidiaconis pluribus. Similiter milites Thomas de Berkeleya et Hugo de Veyr idem Thomas fuit Senescallus suus ad festum. Et fuerunt estimati Septingenti Equites. *Sibi obviant et plures* (written above). Prima processio ville obviavit sibi prope Redehull.¹ Secunda processio fuit Fratrum Minorum et obviavit sibi extra Domum Sancti Wlstani.² Et tunc ibi primo descendebat et ibidem discalciauit se. Statim fuit paratus Magister Regg' de Bondone ex parte J. Archidiaconi Cantuariensis, et accepit palfridum suum cum Cella. Similiter accepit Capam suam et Capellum, Pylcum, Botas, Caligas, Pedules.³ Tum calumpniavit insuper Cuppam suam cum x marcis pro expensis suis. Nec satisfecit ei statim de cuppa et x marcis, petiit enim diem Episcopus ad inquirendum et consulendum si predecessores sui ita fecerunt vel consuetudo se ita haberet.

De processione conventus. Perrexit statim nudis pedibus et intravit Cymiterium ad Gradum iuxta Prioris portam. Obviavit sibi conventus revestitus secundum quod moris est. Similiter Episcopi et alii prelati revestiti obviaverunt et fecerunt quod incumbabat sicut potuerunt propter concursum populi, Cantore incipiente Responsorium "Sint lumbi."⁴ Prelati cum conventu euntes ad ecclesiam, intelligentes quod Episcopus veniret cum ipsis, et non fecit. Interim Episcopus usus consilio quorundam intravit ecclesiam Sancti Michaelis et induit se ibi Pontificalibus. Et sic intravit per chorum revestitus versus altare et adoravit super sedile. Ipso adorato surrexit, perrexit ad altare et osculatus est illud, et optulit iii pannos deauratos, et ibi dedit primo benedictionem. Tunc divertebat se versus stallum suum iuxta chorum ubi deberet intronizari, Priore ipsum sequente cum Episcopis et aliis prelati. Statim Magister Regg' de Boudon predictus legit commissionem suam sibi factam ex parte J. Archidiaconi Cantuariensis sub isto tenore, Episcopo interim stante et aliis.

¹ Red Hill.

² St. Wulstan's Hospital, now the Commandery.

³ Botæ, presumably "Riding Boots." "Buskins and socks" seems the best rendering of the other two. Caligæ were a sort of stockings "fastened at the knee, first made of linen, then of silk embroidered. Originally reserved for the Pope, their use was gradually extended" (Druit, *Costume on Brasses*, p. 73). Du Cange says they were proper to bishops, for before they put on sandals they bind their legs with *caligis* stretching to the knees. Here "stockings" seems the obvious word. He says that pedules are the part of the caligæ which takes the foot. But this is contradicted by the Statutes of the Carthusians, *paria caligarum, paria pedulum*. Not one thing, but two. The mystical meaning of caligæ was *rectitudo gressus* (Haines, *Manual of Monumental Brasses*, i. 69), but they were generally worn for warmth. I have to thank the Rev. J. H. P. O'Connor for all this information.

⁴ Luke xii. 35.

Commissio Intronizandi. J. Archidiaconus Cantuariensis dilecto sibi in Christo Magistro Regg[inald]o de Bondone salutem in auctore salutis. Ad Intronizandum seu installandum venerabilem patrem dominum W. Dei gratia Wygorniuensem Episcopum auctoritate Curie Cantuariensis ac vice et nomine nostro in predicta ecclesia Wygorniensi et ad faciendum omnia et singula que super intronizatione seu installatione huiusmodi per nos forent si presentes essemus quomodolibet facienda necnon ad petendum et recipiendum nomine nostro quecumque ratione predictæ intronizationis seu installationis ad nos debeat de iure vel de consuetudine pertinere Vobis tenore presentium committimus vices nostras. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum presentibus duximus apponendum. Datum apud Hathefeld iij Kaln. Junii Anno Domini M^o Trecentesimo tertio.

Statim lecta ista commissione dicebat clericus predictus ista verba: "Virtute istius commissionis mihi facte Ego Intronizo te." Et fecit ipsum tunc primo sedere in cathedra. Statim Episcopus Herfordie incipit "Te Deum laudamus," Cantore cum conventu et aliis proseguendis post sollempniter usque ad finem. Tunc dedit Episcopus benedictionem secunda vice in stallo suo. Postea statim intravit vestiarium. Fecit lavare pedes suos et induit sandala, et celebravit missam sollempniter de Sancto Wulstano. Missa finita, dedit audientibus missam xl. dies Indulgentie, et sic intraverunt Curiam Episcopi ad festum. Fuit utique ista sollempnitas facta in Octavis Sancte Trinitatis, scilicet v. Id. Junii ut supra.

Qualiter Episcopus se habuit in capitulo. Crastina die tractato de Ordine in Capitulo, intravit cum clero et populo, Priore ipsum premuniente quum debet intrare. Primo predicavit et fuit eius thema "Vnum corpus sumus in Christo, etc." Finito sermone dixit populo et etiam Fratribus Minoribus quod exirent, et exierunt omnes preter clericos suos et clericos nostros. Tractavit tunc de temporalibus et maxime de ecclesia de Duderhull¹ quam habuimus in proprios usus paulo ante, ut patet per processum in secundo folio precedenti, qualiter Archiepiscopus iniuriabatur nobis. Supplicante enim sibi Priore coram clericis suis tunc et conventu ut de novo confirmaret, et habuit responsum quod deliberaret. Tractato de hiis et aliis, iussit clericis suis et clericis nostris ut exirent, ut semper debent quum tractat de spiritualitate vel de Ordine. Tractavit enim tunc de nostra electione et electo,² qualiter resignavit ius suum in manibus Pape, et qualiter Papa contulit ei episcopatum. Finito tractatu adivit Curiam Episcopi. Comedit enim Prior cum ipso duobus diebus infra curiam suam. Pavit conventum in

¹ The appropriation of Dodderhill to the monastery, which was opposed by the Archbishop. See note, p. viii.

² The election by the Chapter of John de St. Germans to the bishopric.

Refectorio et in Misericordia primo die, et nihilominus ipsos qui comedunt cum Priore hiis duobus diebus. Transivit ad Kemeseyam post prandium isto die lune postquam confirmavit pueros apud Fratres Minores. Similiter tractavit in capitulo de Archidiacono Wygornieusi, qualiter posset ad collationem suam, de Curia romana, posset reverti, et quod deberemus esse sigillo nostro communi Curie obligatos.¹ Finito omni tractatu in capitulo osculatus fuit omnem conventum in capitulo per ordinem prout moris est. Et sic recessit de capitulo, clericis extra hostium cum armigeris suis expectantibus et eum ducentibus ad Curiam propriam. Et sic plenarie finitur processus intronizationis sue, Die et hora supradictis, et in Octavis Sancte Trinitatis que tali die contingebant anno memorato.

The following summary may be useful to those who prefer English to Latin. It is not a complete translation :—

On Saturday, 8 June, the Prior dined with the Bishop at Kempsey, and as a special favour went there next morning to fetch him, the custom being to go but a mile to meet him. With the Prior went the Sacrist, the Chaplain, another monk, and other of his household. He told the Bishop it was time to go, and the Bishop agreed, because he had said he wished to be enthroned if it could be done before 9 A.M., to avoid the heat and crush. The Abbots of Evesham, Tewkesbury and Pershore, and other prelates met him; likewise the Bishops of Hereford and Llandaff and several Archdeacons. Also Sir Thomas de Berkeley, who acted as Steward at the feast, and Sir Hugh de Veyr. There were about 700 on horseback. More also met him. The first procession of the town met him near Red Hill, and a second procession of Friars Minor met him outside the House of St. Wulstan (the Commandery). There he got down and put off his shoes. Master Reginald de Bondone, commissary of the Archdeacon of Canterbury, was there, and took his palfrey and saddle, his cloak, cape, hat, riding boots, buskins and socks. He claimed also a cup and 10 marks for his expenses, but the Bishop asked a day to find out whether this was customary.

¹ This postscript to the account of what was done in Chapter on the morrow of the enthronement is not easy to interpret with certainty. The Archdeacon is Francis de Neapoli, Cardinal of S. Lucia in Silice. *Collationem suam* must, I think, mean Geynesburgh's appointment to the bishopric, and what follows has, I believe, to do with the appropriation of Dodderhill to the monastery. The link between them is the Archdeacon. His influence had turned the scale in Geynesburgh's appointment, why should it not do the same about Dodderhill? But the money needed to put the appropriation through at Rome must be guaranteed. I have given a section to the Dodderhill affair on a later page. I ought to say that the punctuation of this passage is not in the original, and it is open to anyone to punctuate and interpret otherwise.

He then went barefoot and entered the grave-yard at the step by the Prior's gate. The Bishops and other prelates met him vested, and did what belonged to them as well as they could for the crush, the Precentor beginning the response, "Let your loins," and the prelates with the convent going to the church, understanding that the bishop would come with them. Instead he went to St. Michael's church and robed there, and entered through the choir towards the altar, and, having made his reverence, arose and went to it and kissed it, and offered three cloths of gold, and gave a first blessing there.

He then turned towards his stall where he was to be enthroned, the Prior, Bishops and other prelates following. Master R. de Bondone then read his commission from the Archdeacon of Canterbury, and said, "In virtue of this commission made to me I enthrone thee," and made him sit in his seat. The Bishop of Hereford at once began *Te Deum laudamus*, the Precentor with the Convent and the others following after duly to the end. Then the Bishop gave the blessing a second time from his stall. He then entered the vestry and had his feet washed and put on his sandals, and celebrated the usual mass of St. Wulstan. After which he granted 40 days indulgence to them that heard the mass. And so to the palace for the feast.

On the morrow he treated in chapter of the Order, entering with clergy and people, the Prior forewarning him of the proper time. First he preached on the theme "We are one body in Christ." Then he told the people and Friars Minor to go out, and all went except his clerks and ours. He then treated of temporalities and especially of the church of Dodderhill, which we held appropriate a while ago, and how the Archbishop was wronging us. When the Prior asked him to confirm the appropriation anew, he said he would consider it. He then ordered his clerks and ours to go out, as they always should when he is treating of the spirituality or the Order, and spoke of our election (to the bishopric) and of the elect (John de St. Germans); how he (J. de St. G.) had resigned his right, and the Pope had conferred the bishopric on him (Geynesburgh). When he had finished he went to the palace, and the Prior ate with him there two days. He fed the Convent in Refectory and Misericord¹ on the first day and those who eat with the Prior on the two days. He went to Kempsey after dinner on the Monday after confirming boys at the Friars Minor.

Likewise he treated in the chapter of the Archdeacon of Woreester and what his influence did towards his collation. Also of the Roman

¹ A smaller dining-room in which flesh meat and other indulgences (*miseriordiæ*) were allowed to monks at the discretion of the superior.

Court. It might reverse (its decision about Dodderhill). And that we ought to be bound by our common seal to the Court. When all he had to say in chapter was finished he kissed the whole convent in order as the custom is, and went from the chapter, his clerks and esquires waiting for him outside the door and conducting him to his palace. And thus the process of his enthronement was ended.

Where the bishop went after he came to his diocese and what he did may be seen in his Itinerary and Register. What his own inclination was is indicated by the fact that, save for a short absence at Lincoln before his enthronement, he was continuously in his diocese from his first arrival in March 1303 until January 1305. Then affairs of State began to claim him again. In October he was sent to the new Pope, Clement V, to treat with him about the Crusade, which the King had promised to make, but was never to achieve, and about peace with the King of France, which was not yet secure.¹ He crossed the sea on 21 October and was not back again in his diocese till 16 March.²

In the winter of 1306-7 Scotland was giving trouble, and Parliament was held at Carlisle. The King kept Geynesburgh there so long that it was Easter before he got back,³ and he can barely have been home before a request came to go up to London and accompany the Prince of Wales to France.⁴ But the King's intention changed concerning him, for on 28 June he ordered the Constable of Dover to provide for the transport of the bishop of Worcester, whom he is sending to the Court of Rome.⁵ The King died on 7 July, and this seems to have made another change for Geynesburgh, as his Official notes on 17 July that his master is beyond the sea towards Poitou.⁶ He never returned. On 17 October Gilbert de Maddeley and William de London, two monks of Worcester, brought the news of his death to the new King, and obtained from him letters to the Prior and Convent giving leave to elect another as bishop.⁷ The Archbishop's commission to the Prior to administer the see during its vacancy is dated 9 October,⁸ and his first official act was to order the Archdeacon to enjoin all rectors, vicars and other priests to say masses for the soul of their late bishop.⁹

Bishop Pearce gives his predecessor Thomas de Cobham the title "A

¹ Pat. Roll 1305, Oct. 14, 15, 20; Close Roll, Oct. 20.

² Reg., ff. 37, 38d.

³ Reg., f. 43d.

⁴ Close Roll 1307, Mar. 28. Prince Edward married Isabella of France this year.

⁵ Close Roll 1307, June 28.

⁶ Reg., f. 46d.

⁷ Pat. Roll 1307, Oct. 17. Geynesburgh died at Beauvais on Sep. 17.

⁸ Reg. S. V., f. 35, p. 80.

⁹ *Ibid.*

Good Clerk."¹ William de Geynesburgh served his Order well as lecturer at Oxford, as provincial Minister, and as Conservator of their privileges in the province of England.² His Register reveals a diligent and faithful bishop, and so he has a double claim to be called "A Good Friar."

The Bishop's Itinerary.

This is collected from the datings in the Register with but few additions from other sources. The Register does not keep chronological order, and it is sometimes doubtful to what year an entry belongs. It is assumed that residence at a place is continuous between the extreme datings from it, unless some other place at a distance from it intervenes. It is also assumed that the bishop was there himself when his documents were dated, though there are one or two cases in which he could not have been if the datings are correct. It is natural that he should not always take his whole staff of clerks with him.

He was not much away from his diocese. He began with a spell of nearly two years in it. From 22 January to 4 April 1305 he was in London or at Hillingdon, and in September he was sent by the King to the Roman Court and was away six months. From Christmas 1306 to Easter he was attending Parliament, held at Carlisle because of the war with the Scots. In June 1307 he was up in London again, and in July went "beyond the sea towards Poitou" on the King's business, and died at Beauvais on 17 September. He was only absent about 16 months altogether.

He seems to have been a very diligent diocesan.

Italics are used for places outside the diocese.

| 1302 | | Folio of Register. |
|----------|--|--------------------|
| Oct. 28 | <i>Rome.</i> Consecration as Bishop | |
| Dec. 15 | <i>Had left Rome</i> | S.V. 16d, p. 42 |
| 1303 | | |
| Jan. 29 | <i>London</i> | S.V. 15d, p. 37 |
| Feb. 2—5 | <i>Windsor</i> | S.V. 15d, p. 37 |
| Feb. 7 | <i>Lambeth.</i> Archbishop writes to Prior that the Bishop has done obedience | S.V. 15d, p. 38 |
| Feb. 17 | <i>London</i> | S.V. 15d, p. 38 |
| Feb. 27 | <i>Eltham.</i> The Bishop intends to set out for his diocese on 2nd Sunday in Lent, Mar. 3 | S.V. 17, p. 43 |

¹ *Thomas de Cobham*, Chap. 1. (S.P.C.K.)

² Appointed by the Pope as Conservator, along with the bishops of Winchester and London, and to the like for the Dominicans, along with the Archbishop of York and the bishop of Bath and Wells, in 1304. P. 19.

| 1303 | | Folio of Register. |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Mar. 13—16 | Horton | 13 |
| Mar. 16 | Bristol. Ordination | 13 |
| Mar. 23 | Westbury on Trym | 13 |
| Mar. 24 (Sunday) | Henbury | 13d |
| Mar. 24, 25 | Thornbury | 13, 13d |
| Mar. 27 | Kingswood | 13 |
| April 5 (Good Friday) | Bristol | S.V. 17d, p. 46 |
| April 22 | Monks' Wotton ¹ | 5d |
| May 16 (Ascension) | <i>Lincoln</i> | 36 (S.V. 18d) |
| May 28 | <i>Birmingham</i> | 15 |
| June 1 (Eve of Trinity) | Kidderminster. Ordination | 14d |
| June 2 | Hartlebury | 14 |
| June 8—14 | Kempsey | 15, 16 |
| June 9 | Worcester. Enthronement | 16d |
| June 27—July 4 | Fladbury | 16, 16d |
| July 1 | Bredon | 16 |
| July 9—Aug. 12 | Alvechurch | 31, 19 |
| Aug. 16—Sep. 6 | Hampton Lucy | 19d, 20d |
| Sep. 14, 15 | Blockley | 32d, 20d |
| Sep. 17—23 | Bredon | 32d |
| Sep. 21 | Tewkesbury. Ordination | 21d |
| Sep. 24, 25, 26 | Kempsey | 21, L.A. 16 |
| Sep. 26, 27 | Worcester (Visits Monastery 26th L.A., f. 16) | 22d |
| Sep. 30—Oct. 13 | Kempsey | 22d, 32d |
| Oct. 14 | Fladbury | 23 |
| Oct. 16—19 | Kempsey | 23 |
| Oct. 22—28 | Hartlebury | 23d, 32d |
| Nov. 4, 5 | Alvechurch | 23d, 33 |
| Nov. 8—30 ² | Hampton Lucy | 24, 24d |
| Nov. 14—Jan. 11 ² | Alvechurch | 1, 23, 24, 33, 34 |
| Dec. 21 | Bromsgrove. Ordination | 32d |
| 1304 up to Jan. 11 | Alvechurch | 1, 2 |
| Jan. 16—21 | Blockley | 4d, 34d |
| Jan. 21 | Cirencester | 34d |
| Jan. 25—27 | Blockley | 34 |
| Jan. 29—Feb. 1 | Withington | 2, 34 |
| Feb. 10—25 | Bibury | 2d, 35 |
| Feb. 18 | Cirencester | 34d |
| Feb. 22 | Ordination at Bibury | 34d |

¹ Wootton Wawen.

² The bishop seems to have been in two places at once. I think he himself was at Alvechurch most of the time, but his clerks were carrying on at Hampton.

| | | Folio of Register. |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Feb. 26 | Sapperton | 35 |
| Mar. 1—6 | Horton | 2d, 33d |
| Mar. 11 | Winterbourne | 51d |
| Mar. 12 | Bristol | 52 |
| Mar. 14 | Westbury on Trym. Ordination | 35 |
| Mar. 15—April 14 | Henbury | 35d, 52 |
| Mar. 28 (Easter Eve) | Ordination there | 35d |
| April 15, 16 | Winterbourne | 35d |
| April 16 | Westerleigh | 3d |
| April 22—26 | Cam | 35d, 52d |
| May 6 | Llanthony Priory | 36 |
| May 6—9—12 | Gloucester | 4, 36, L.A. 20 |
| May 14 | Tewkesbury | 36d |
| May 16—June 2 | Bredon | 25, 36 |
| May 23 | Ordination at Ripple | 36 |
| June 6 | Winchcombe | 25 |
| June 10—19 | Bredon | 25 |
| June 21 | Ripple | 25 |
| July 2 | Dudley | 4d |
| July 2, 3 | Hartlebury | 4d, 25 |
| July 7—20 | Kempsey | 4d, 25d |
| July 21—23 | Wick | 1, 4d, 25d |
| July 25—Aug. 11 | Alvechurch | 4d, 54d |
| Aug. 16 | Worcester | 54d |
| Aug. 20 | Alvechurch | L.A. 21 |
| Aug. 30—Sep. 28 | Hampton Lucy | 5, 25d |
| Sep. 4 | Ordains at Stratford on Avon | 26d |
| Oct. 1 | Rowington | 25d |
| Oct. 8—30 | Hampton Lucy | 5, 27d |
| Nov. 4—21 | Alvechurch | 27d, 14 |
| Dec. 14—Jan. 5 | Hartlebury | 5d |
| Dec. 19 | Ordains at Ombersley | 28 |
| 1305 up to Jan. 5 | Hartlebury | 5d |
| Jan. 22—April 2 | <i>Hillingdon and London</i> | 5d, 28d |
| Feb. 6 | <i>Staines</i> | 28 |
| April 4 | <i>Wycombe</i> | 28d |
| April 8—30 | Withington | 6d, 29 |
| April 17 | Ordains there | 28d |
| May 1—17 | Bredon | 29, 7d |
| May 18, 19 | Blockley | 7d, 29 |
| May 23—31 | Bredon | 7d, 8 |
| May 30 | Kempsey | 29 |
| June 5—14 | Bredon | 8, 29 |
| June 12 | Ordains at Tewkesbury | 29d |

| | | Folio of Register. |
|----------------------|---|--------------------|
| June 20 | Kempsey | 8 |
| June 27—July 4 | Hartlebury | 30 |
| June 27 | Ordains there | 30 |
| June 31 ¹ | <i>Wolverhampton</i> | 57d |
| July up to 4 | Hartlebury | 30 |
| July 6—28 | Alvechurch | 8, 30 |
| Aug. 4 | Hampton Lucy | 58d |
| Aug. 13 | Bredon | 8, 58d |
| Aug. 15, 16 | Gloucester | 8 |
| Aug. 17, 18 | Bredon | 8d, 30 |
| Sep. 1, 2 | Hampton Lucy | 8d |
| Sep. 5—9 | Blockley | 8d, 30 |
| Sep. 9 | <i>Tackley</i> | 30d |
| Sep. 10 | <i>Thame</i> | 8d |
| Sep. 13—to Oct. 18 | <i>Hillingdon and London</i> | 8d, 9, 37 |
| Oct. 12 | <i>Westminster</i> | 9 |
| Oct. 21 ² | <i>Crosses the sea to the Roman Court</i> | 37 |
| 1306 | | |
| Mar. 16 | Withington | 11, 38d |
| Mar. 18—April 8 | Bredon | 10, 38d |
| April 10—12 | Little Malvern | 38d, 61 |
| April 13—26 | Bredon | 10, 38d |
| April 30—May 2 | Alvechurch | 10d, 39 |
| May 7—25 | Hartlebury | 10d, 39 |
| May 26—28 | Wick | 62, 39 |
| May 28 | Worcester. Ordination | 39d |
| June 2—7 | Hartlebury | 11, 39 |
| June 17—25 | Alvechurch | 40d |
| June 30 | Gloucester | 62d |
| July 1 | Bredon | 40d |
| July 2 | Fladbury | 40d |
| July 10—Aug. 9 | Hampton Lucy | 40d, 41 |
| Aug. 19 | Tredington | 41d |
| Aug. 22—Sep. 8 | Bredon | L.A. 26d, 41d |
| Sep. 14 | Blockley | 39 |
| Sep. 21, 22 | Kempsey | 41d, 42 |
| Sep. 24—26 | Worcester | 41d, 42 |
| Sep. 24 | Ordains there | 41d |
| Oct. 1—19 | Kempsey | 42, 42d |
| Oct. 29—Nov. 3 | Fladbury | 42d |
| Nov. 3 | Salford Priors | 42d |

¹ Writ received 2 K. Jun., but, as it was not issued till 19th, June must be an error for July.

² The datings between then and 16 March 1306 are the Vicar General's.

| | | Folio of Register. |
|--|--|--------------------|
| Nov. 25, 26 | Hampton Lucy | 42d, L.A. 26d |
| Dec. 2 | Alcester | 42d |
| Dec. 3—8 | Studley | 42d |
| Dec. 12—14 | Alvechurch | 42d |
| Dec. 17—28 | Hartlebury | 11, 43, L.A. 27 |
| Dec. 17 | Ordains there | 43 |
| <i>From Christmas 1306 to Easter 1307 the Bishop was away attending Parliament at Carlisle</i> | | 43d |
| 1307 | | |
| April 13—15 | Hartlebury | 43d |
| April 27—May 5 | Bredon | 43d, 46 |
| May 6 | Alvechurch | 46 |
| May 9—15 | Bredon | 46 |
| May 14, 15 | Blockley | 11, 46 |
| June 3—July 6 | Hillingdon and London | 11, 46 |
| July 17 | <i>The Official notes that the Bishop had gone beyond the sea towards Poitou</i> | 46d |
| Sep. 17 | <i>Died at Beauvais.</i> ¹ | |

The Bishop's Staff.

(A) **Diocesan.** The Bishop's right-hand men were Masters Walter de Wotton, Archdeacon of Huntingdon and Canon of Westbury, and John de Rodberewe, rector of Hartlebury. The first was Chancellor² and, during the bishop's absence abroad, Vicar-General.³ He was killed in 1306 by the rector of Colesborne,⁴ and Rodberewe filled his place, but without any title other than that of Official.⁵ Rodberewe had been much used by Bishop Giffard, and was an executor of his will. Geynesburgh began to use him at once, and in 1304 made him his Commissary-General.⁶ When he was made Official is not clear; the commissions in the register seem to be but an extension of his powers for the time the bishop was away.⁵ He continued as Official for a short time under Bishop Reynolds.⁷ As founder of a chantry in honour of the Blessed Virgin in Hartlebury church⁸ he became a benefactor of the Grammar School there, for it has, or had, amongst its endowments a field "by Stowres syde called Chaunters Medowe."⁹

¹ A Papal Letter puts his death at Amiens, but it has the wrong name for the bishop and is dated a year before he died. Cal. Papal Letters, "1306, 3 N. Oct. Reservation to the apostolic see of the provision to the see of Worcester, void by the death of Bishop Walter at Amiens."

² p. 75.

³ pp. 26, 142.

⁴ p. 28.

⁵ pp. 29, 30.

⁶ p. 12.

⁷ Reg. Reynolds, p. 2.

⁸ *Ibid.*, p. 33.

⁹ Old Order Book of Hartlebury Grammar School (W. H. S.), p. 6.

Master Robert de Sutton, rector of Dursley, was Sequestrator, and was often joined with Wotton and Rodberewe in the work of the courts.¹

The Archdeacon of Worcester was a Cardinal and never came near his archdeaconry, leaving the work of it to his Official. It is possible that the work did not suffer. It was certainly an advantage to the diocese to have an influential friend at Rome, and the bishop thought it worth while to be bound to him "for a yearly payment of 50 golden florins for the advancement of his business there."²

Archdeacon Burdon of Gloucester is seldom mentioned by name, and does not seem to have been called on for much more than his necessary duties.

Master Benedict de Feriby, "our clerk," was constantly being employed in hearing cases, visiting as the bishop's commissary, auditing accounts, and is frequently found witnessing the bishop's acts.

Much the same may be said of Master Thomas de Stratton, rector of Withington.³

The number of commissions to hear cases shows that the Ecclesiastical Courts were kept very busy in those days, and many other men besides those mentioned above were required to get through the business and to hold enquiries for the bishop. The Prior, the Archdeacons or their Officials, and the (Rural) Deans were all called in for these purposes.

Others who have the title of "our clerk" are Nicholas de Devyses, ds. Simon Ravel, William Russel, and J. de Tykhull; the two last were the bishop's proctors in the Court of Arches in 1303.⁴

John Caleys was his Notary.⁵

(B) **Penitentiary.** When everyone was obliged to confess once a year at least, and to have done anything which rendered a person liable to excommunication required absolution, even if no actual sentence had been passed, and when there were many cases with which the parish priest might not deal because absolution was reserved to the bishop or to the pope, the administration of penance needed an organization.

It was usual for a bishop to have a Penitentiary General and one or more Penitentiaries for each archdeaconry to deal with all but the most serious offences. I find no record of these appointments except

¹ pp. 23, 25.

² p. 75.

³ p. 83.

⁴ Other proctors were: In the Court of Arches, Ric. de Tregilian (21). Proctors-General: Gilbert Acketoft and W. de Clif (26). Proctors at Rome: Masters Henry de Luseby and Adam de Kirkeby (15). Acketoft was rector of Weston Birt, and came from Gilby, near Gainsborough (95). S. Ferriby, Lusby and Kirkby are also in Lincs,

⁵ p. 133.

that of Friar Richard, warden of the Friars Minor of Gloucester, who was penitentiary for that archdeaconry.¹ Friar J. de Aston, a monk of Worcester, was one of the bishop's penitentiaries, but most likely for the monastery only.²

The only other appointments are those for dealing with the great rush that came every year at the beginning of Lent. In 1304 and 1306 the Prior was appointed,³ and in 1305 the sub-prior and penitentiary were joined with him.⁴

(c) **Household.** The members of his household must be mentioned. His Marshall in March 1303 was Walter,⁵ followed perhaps a few months later by Roger.⁶ His Chamberlain, Adam de Howden, was pensioned off in 1305,⁷ and no successor is mentioned. Percival le Waleys was pensioned in the same year "for his services," but what those services were is not said.⁸ The Receiver of his Wardrobe was John de Stanway, clerk, whose accounts were audited in November 1303 and found to be £9 9s. 8d. in arrear, which he forthwith paid up.⁹ His Messenger and Letter-carrier was John de Saxebey.¹⁰

(d) **Estates.** The management of the bishop's manors was an important matter, for on them his income depended. Before he had been in England two months he had made his appointment of Bailiffs: Geoffry de Hambiri for Worcestershire, Walter Beruthorp for Warwickshire, with Blockley and Tredington, and Simon Ravel for Gloucestershire. John de Feckenham, Bailiff of the Hundred of Oswaldslow, was to assist them.¹¹ Feckenham seems to have been a bigger man than the others. He was rector of St. Helen's, Worcester, and in 1307 was employed to hold the courts in all the manors in the county as well as those of his own Hundred.¹²

Ralph de Gevelde had a like position in Warwickshire. He was given the custody of the manors of Hampton-Lucy, Stratford-on-Avon, Blockley and Tredington in January 1304—presumably in succession to Walter de Beruthorp—and was commissioned to hold the courts of them and of the Hundred of Gilpyt.¹³

Over all was the Steward and Keeper of the Lands of the bishopric,

¹ p. 6.

² p. 5. It may be that the bishop did a good deal of penitentiary work himself.

³ pp. 5, 147.

⁴ p. 15.

⁵ p. 32.

⁶ p. 81, and see "Steward" below.

⁷ p. 21.

⁸ p. 27.

⁹ p. 81.

¹⁰ p. 76.

¹¹ p. 32, 27 March 1303. It is not clear whether Feckenham was to help all the others or only Ravel. His description is "Hundredarius de Oswaldeslowe."

¹² p. 30, 15 May 1307.

¹³ p. 4. A court called Gylput was held every three weeks in the hundred of Pathlow. Dugd., *Warw.* (1765), p. 448.

Simon de Grenehill.¹ Roger le Marescall is coupled with him as "Steward" for the auditing of the bishop's Wardrobe accounts,² but his stewardship was, I think, over the household and not the estates.

John Salemon, clerk, audited the accounts of the manors in May 1305.

As to the Rectory of Hillingdon and the bishop's manor in the parish of B. Mary de la Stronde: William de Morton, Vicar of Hillingdon, being already the bishop's proctor for his rectory there, was appointed in December 1303 to be custodian of his manor in London also.⁴ And in 1306 Richard de Bykerton was appointed Bailiff and Keeper of the bishop's Court⁵ and tenements in the said parish, and commissioned to hold the courts of the manor.⁶

The Bishop's Seal.

The Bishop's Seal is No. 2280 in the British Museum Catalogue, and is thus described: "Pointed oval. In a carved niche with a trefoiled canopy supported by slender shafts, the Bishop on a carved corbel full length lifting his right hand in benediction, in his left hand a pastoral staff. On the shafts on either side a small round panel containing the head of a saint. Circumscription: S. FRIS DI. GRA . . . ORNIENSIS. EPI." It is illustrated in V. C. H., ii., 10.

Ordinations.

Between Lent 1303 and December 1306 the bishop ordained 17 times. The number ordained was sometimes very small. At Alvechurch in August 1304 there was just a single acolyte, at Hartlebury in June 1305 there were but two acolytes from Norwich diocese, and on three other occasions the total was under ten; but seven times there were over 100, the most at a time being 213, of whom all but 5 were to Holy Orders. Altogether 1278 acts of ordination are recorded, of which 1243 were to Holy Orders. The number of priests was 460 (452 seculars and 8 regulars), of deacons 421 (407 seculars and 14 regulars), and of subdeacons 362 (347 seculars and 15 regulars). The small number of regulars is remarkable; including minor orders there were only 43. This, coupled with the fact that the bishop held several little ordinations for seculars, and intended that the *Sitientes* ordination in 1303 should be for beneficed and religious only,⁷ suggests that he may have ordained religious in their own churches, and, as a bishop had no responsibility for their maintenance, it was not thought necessary to

¹ p. 66, 15 Sep. 1303.

² p. 81, Nov. 1303

³ p. 20.

⁴ p. 31.

⁵ The Court (*Curia*) is here the bishop's house, called elsewhere his "Hospice."

⁶ p. 26, 5 April 1306.

⁷ As a matter of fact 8 beneficed, 17 regulars and 20 others were ordained.

enter them in his register. Minor orders were seldom recorded for a like reason. When it came to Holy Orders a record of both ordination and title was desirable, for otherwise a man might claim to be in orders when he was not, or, being in orders, might claim maintenance from the bishop.

It is interesting to notice the titles to which men were being ordained. They are not always specified, and in the case of deacons, and still more of priests, "title as before" or some such entry is often put. Taking, therefore, the sub-deacons, 347 were ordained. Omitting those with letters dimissory from other dioceses, of whom there are many, and those with titles from individuals or without recorded titles, we get 267. Of these, 170 were ordained to the title of Patrimony, 48 to Benefices, and 49 to titles given by Religious Houses. With the deacons, and still more with the priests, there is naturally an increase in the proportion of beneficed. The figures for deacons are, 154 patrimony, 48 beneficed, and 34 Religious Houses; and for priests, 135 patrimony, 52 beneficed, and 37 Religious Houses.

We find then a very large number of men, something like 100 a year, entering holy orders, and half of them had apparently no immediate prospect of either work or pay. Why did so many do it? And how many of them were drawn to it by the work of the ministry? Minor orders were enough for Benefit of Clergy, so that was not the moving cause. Holy orders had no special advantage over minor for secular employment, nor need they be taken before admission to a benefice, unless it were a vicarage. But perhaps all this is beside the mark. Had there been a plague of unemployed young men in holy orders we should have heard more of it. There were then many openings which no longer exist. Apart from secular employment, the military orders, nunneries, hospitals, and the like needed chaplains. Chantry and Guilds were on the increase, and Private chaplains were common. A careful examination of records might show what the normal staff of a parish church was. There are many mentions of a chaplain or chaplains in addition to the vicar in the *Liber Antiquus* of Bishop Hugo Welles,¹ besides the clerk, who was sometimes a deacon,² though often in minor orders only. There seems enough evidence for saying that in the normal parish the normal staff included more men in holy orders than at present. It may therefore be possible that all the men ordained to holy orders found employment. Yet the frequent "to the title of patrimony with which he reckons himself content" makes for doubt.

¹ *Liber Antiquus de Ordinationibus Vicariorum tempore Hugonis Welles Lincolnensis Episcopi, 1209—1235.* Lincoln, 1888,

² f. 1d, p. 2,

The statistics of Ordinations are :—

| Folio | Date and Place | Acolytes | Subdeacons | Deacons | Priests | Page |
|-------|----------------------------|------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------|
| | | Sec. Reg. | Sec. Reg. | Sec. Reg. | Sec. Reg. | |
| 1303 | | | | | | |
| 13d] | <i>Sitientes</i> (Mar. 23) | | | | | |
| | Bristol | 8 3 | 10 6 | 6 6 | 4 2 | 32 |
| 14d] | Trinity Eve (June 2) | | | | | |
| | Kidderminster | — — | 27 1 | 67 1 | 45 1 | 36 |
| 21d] | Exalt. Cross (Sep. 21) | | | | | |
| | Tewkesbury | — — | 43 — | 32 — | 66 — | 68 |
| 33d] | St. Thomas (Dec. 21) | | | | | |
| | Bromsgrove | — — | 7 — | 12 3 | 10 3 | 125 |
| 1304 | | | | | | |
| 34d] | 1st w. Lent (Feb. 21) | | | | | |
| | Bibury | — — | 4 — | 2 — | 3 — | 130 |
| 35] | <i>Sitientes</i> (Mar. 14) | | | | | |
| | Westbury | 2 — | 4 — | 6 — | 6 — | 131 |
| 35d] | Easter Eve (Mar. 28) | | | | | |
| | Henbury | — — | 2 — | 2 — | 3 — | 133 |
| 36d] | Trinity Eve (May 24) | | | | | |
| | Ripple | — — | 31 — | 41 — | 41 — | 136 |
| 25d] | V. Id. Aug. (Aug. 9) | | | | | |
| | Alvechurch | 1 — | — — | — — | — — | 85 |
| 26d] | Aft. Ex. Cross (Sep. 19) | | | | | |
| | Stratford | 2 3 | 41 3 | 38 — | 65 — | 88 |
| 28] | Aft. St. Lucy (Dec. 19) | | | | | |
| | Ombersley | 1 — | 10 3 | 20 3 | 20 — | 97 |
| 1305 | | | | | | |
| 28d] | Holy Sat. (Apr. 17) | | | | | |
| | Withingdon | 1 — | 2 — | — — | — — | 103 |
| 29d] | Trinity Eve (June 13) | | | | | |
| | Tewkesbury | 2 — | 62 — | 55 — | 55 2 | 105 |
| 30] | Sunday, June 27 | | | | | |
| | Hartlebury Castle | 2 ¹ — | — — | — — | — — | 113 |
| 1306 | | | | | | |
| 39d] | Trinity (May 29) | | | | | |
| | Cathedral | 5 — | 66 2 | 71 1 | 68 — | 152 |
| 41d] | Aft. St. Matt (Sep. 24) | | | | | |
| | Cathedral | 2 — | 25 — | 40 — | 48 — | 166 |
| 43] | Aft. St. Lucy (Dec. 17) | | | | | |
| | Hartlebury | 4 — | 14 — | 15 — | 18 — | 173 |

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The Beneficed Clergy.

A list of the Benefices whose holders appear in the Register seemed preferable to one of Institutions only; for some institutions may have escaped registration, and five folios which may have contained others are wanting. By taking all mentions of incumbents we may catch some whose institutions have gone astray. This list begins on page xxxiii.

Their Orders. Of the men instituted to parochial benefices whose orders are mentioned, the majority were in holy orders at the time of their institution, and 42 per cent. of the whole number were in priest's orders. The following table gives the actual figures:—

| | Rectories, etc. | Vicarages. | Total. |
|------------|-----------------|------------|--------|
| Clerks | 29 | — | 29 |
| Acolytes | 29 | — | 29 |
| Subdeacons | 17 | — | 17 |
| Deacons | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| Priests | 38 | 23 | 61 |

Patronage.

A fraction only of the Benefices fell vacant during Geynesburgh's episcopate. Adjusting the presentations which fell to the King through wardships and disputes, or to the Bishop through lapse, the distribution is: The King 1, the Bishop 7, the Archdeacon of Worcester 1, Religious Houses 35, Private 61.

Dispensations.

These are few. Fourteen men had taken orders without previous legitimation, and their irregularity could be set right only by the Pope, acting through his Penitentiary. Violence to clerks and ministering in orders never taken account for three more, and the other three are chiefly interesting as an echo of the acute friction between Church and State set up in 1296 by the Bull *Clericis Laicos*, in which Boniface VIII forbade the clergy to pay taxes. At the next Parliament the King demanded a subsidy from them as usual. They, led by Archbishop Winchelsey, were minded to refuse, and the synod of Canterbury actually did so. The King promptly announced that he would do no law in his courts for the clergy, and proceeded to take some of their possessions into his own hands and ordered the sheriffs to make an inventory of church property with a view to its confiscation. The archbishop, the bishop of Lincoln and some of the clergy continued to hold out. The King had not the unanimous approval of the barons for his course of action, and in July 1297 made an attempt to

come to terms with the archbishop. The clergy, with the fear of excommunication on one side and the loss of their possessions on the other, were in a tight place, but in their next convocation they decided that they could not contribute without leave of the Pope. The King replied that if they would not give he would take. The Pope now realized the impossible position in which he had placed both parties, and let it be known that he had not intended to forbid all subsidies, and that ecclesiastical persons might give them of their own free will. The practical outcome of all this was that the King did not tax the clergy without their consent, and the clergy realized that it was not advisable to refrain from taxing themselves.

The dispensations are of people who, fearing the King more than the Pope, had paid, thus rendering themselves liable to excommunication, and while so liable had ministered, thus incurring irregularity. They were: Henry, rector of Longborough, who had "made a gift to the King," and was dispensed in July 1303 (p. 120). The Prior of Studley, who had "paid taxes to the collectors of the King of England in contravention of the new constitution of Boniface VIII"; he pleaded that he had done it "from fear of losing his temporal goods and not voluntarily or in contempt of the church"; his absolution was not till January 1306 (p. 145). The third was the abbot of Bordesley, who was suspended from celebration of divine service and conferring of orders till Palm Sunday. As that fell on 31 March in 1303 and the absolution was on 16 March, it was not a great deprivation (p. 31). It would be interesting to know what proportion of the clergy who paid got dispensation and why these were so long delayed.

Penances. All dispensations and other absolutions were conditional on a penance. Penances for trivial or technical offences were slight, but some absolutions were led up to by severe correction. Two clerks who had helped in assaulting the bishop's ministers and the archdeacon in the church of St. Peter de Witton had to come to the cathedral and give up their weapons to the sacrist, and for seven Sundays at least do public penance in St. Peter's and the other Droitwich churches (p. 5).

The unequal treatment of a sub-deacon and another man's wife, who had lived together for ten years, is very marked. She, with her hair down and wearing only a long shift, was to be flogged by the dean in church on nine Sundays and in the market-place on nine market days, while he was to stand at the font on seven Sundays and say certain prayers, with thirteen poor people of the parish praying for him. To these he must give their food for the day, and to prayers and alms was added fasting on three days a week for a year (p. 64). For

laying violent hands on a clerk, but not injuring him severely, a man had to offer a one pound candle, and on three Fridays feed on the first three poor clerks, on the second three poor women, and on the third three poor infirm men, a sensible and useful penance (p. 121). Had there been a prize for the most humorous one it would have gone to Friar John de la More, Penitentiary of the Pope, who ordered that a man, who, having first tonsure only, had ministered as a priest both before and after his marriage, should "return to his wife and remain in this union," all exercise of orders being for ever forbidden (p. 116).

Bishop Giffard's Will.¹

The most interesting entry in the book is Bishop Giffard's will. Although wills and all matters concerning them belonged to the ecclesiastical court until last century, they were seldom, if ever, entered in the bishop's register unless they contained legacies to ecclesiastical bodies. There are many such in Giffard's will. Besides the provision of food and drink at his funeral for the Prior and Convent, the Minorites, the brethren of the Hospitals of S. Wulstan and S. Oswald, and the nuns of Whiston, there were legacies in money to the same nuns, the Friars Minor of Worcester and Bristol, the Carmelites and Preachers of Gloucester and Bristol, the Friars of the Sack of Bristol, and the Hospitals of S. Wulstan and S. Oswald of Worcester and S. Bartholomew of Gloucester. Also legacies of vestments and ornaments to the Cathedral, the Carnary and the nuns of Whiston.

The store of goods far exceeds the store of money. The bishop was doubtful if his executors would be able to put their hands on the £100 or 200 marks of ready money for the funeral and other immediate expenses. But of goods there were vestments and ornaments, including two mitres adorned with pearls, which he had from his brother, the Archbishop of York, rings, jewels, brooches, plate, and especially cups, in abundance, armour for man and horse, and many other things. But the chief interest of the will is the evidence it gives of the character of the man.

There are remembrances to the King, a fine ruby, to the Archbishop a ring and a jewel, to the bishop of London a ring and his second best pair of gloves, to all the other bishops of the province a ring, and if there are not enough to go all round more are to be bought. All his relations and friends are suitably remembered. A sister, the Abbess of Shaftesbury, has a dozen silver dishes and salts, a nephew, being a knight, has armour for man and horse, and one almost seems to hear

¹ F. 17, p. 48.

the old man dictating when we read at the end of his sister's legacy, "And let her have the pomander."¹ He was casting about for something a woman would like, and this was the very thing. Again, when he leaves a bed to his chamberlain he adds a robe for the use of his wife. Then the monks of Worcester are to have 2s. each to spend as they like without any interference by the Prior. What more perfect treat could there be for men who never had any money of their own?

His servants, if they chose to remain on while his executors were winding up his affairs in Worcester, were to be maintained at his expense, and he told clearly before they went what he had left to them and when and where they could have it. And they were to have it as soon as possible.

All these things show much thought for other people. His alms to the poor who came to his funeral might have been inspired by a sense of what was due to himself; the many legacies to relations and friends were common form; the remembrance of his household and servants, both indoor and outdoor, is what might be expected of a man of his birth and position, but so many kind and considerate provisions prove a kind and considerate nature and throw a pleasing light on the character of a man better known as the uncompromising upholder of the rights of the See of Worcester.

He made his will at Kempsey 13 September 1301, and died 26 January 1302.² He appointed as executors Walter de Berton, rector of Bredon, John de Rodeberge, rector of Hartlebury, Bartholomew de Devyses, John de Staunewey, rector of Ripple, and Geoffry de Hembury, enjoining them, for the remission of their sins, not to refuse the task, and ordering that their expenses should be paid out of his estate. Yet they did refuse at first, and the Archbishop on 13 February ordered the Prior to cite them and to keep the property under sequestration.³ The reason for their refusal may be guessed with some certainty. They knew there were debts, and that the administration would be a difficult business.

Before the bishop was dead the Prior is writing to the Chancellor: "We believe that you have heard that our bishop is bound to the King in 1000 marks and more for prisoners that have escaped. He is now *in extremis*, and his people by his orders are selling, removing and consuming all his chattels, so that there will be little or nothing left of his moveables out of which the King can be satisfied. His woods, fish-ponds and parks are also being destroyed, and an immediate remedy is needed."⁴ In another letter to a friend, possibly one of the Arch-

¹ Pomme d'ambre, ball of Ambergris (a strongly scented substance formed in the sperm whale, and still much used in the East for perfumery). "Smelling-bottle" would be the modern equivalent. ² S. V., p. 1. ³ L.A., f. 10, p. 7, No. 84. ⁴ *Ibid.*, f. 6.

bishop's clerks, we seem to get his real reason for stirring in the matter. The King's loss might have left him cold, but not loss to the church of Worcester. He says that the privilege of receiving first-fruits had been granted to the bishop that he might spend them on the fabric of the church of Worcester and the buildings of the bishopric. He had not so spent them, though he had received as much as 600 marks.¹ It does not appear that the Chancellor moved in the matter, but the Archbishop on 10 January sent a mandate to the Abbot of Winchcombe and the official of the Archdeacon ordering them to make the bishop's stewards, Walter de Berton and Bartholomew de Devyses, and all his other servants desist from their doings and restore what had been taken.²

These doings seem very questionable, but they might take another complexion if we had the bishop's version of them. Mediæval ecclesiastics were great exaggerators and much given to one-sided statements. Anyway, there is no doubt that there was an insufficient amount of money. Writs against the executors for debts to the King appear at intervals up to 1310. There were debts to the Roman Church and the Holy Land outstanding in 1306, the latter being no doubt the £50 for sending a man-at-arms on crusade, in accordance with the bishop's intention when he "took the cross." And the monastery did not get the gold cup and 40s. for converting it into a chalice, and other ornaments bequeathed to them, till Christmas eve 1306.³ Besides these things there were troubles with John Giffard of Boyton about 200 charters detained,⁴ and troubles over collecting debts to the bishop.

The executors cannot have had an easy task. Bartholomew de Devyses had been long dead in September 1303,⁵ Walter de Berton drops out in 1304,⁶ the other three were still acting in 1310.⁷

The Appropriation of Dodderhill.

The titles "Rectory" and "Vicarage" ought to show which churches kept their original status, and which were at sometime appropriated to a Religious house or other ecclesiastical corporation, which put in a vicar to do the work and took for its own use all the income not required for his maintenance.

Such a list of Benefices as Ecton's "Thesaurus" (1754) does tell this, but the increase of population and consequently of parishes since then and the Acts of 3 Geo. IV. and 31 & 32 Vict.,¹⁰ which gave the

¹ L.A., f. 6.

² *Ibid.*, f. 7.

³ Geyn., pp. 67, 195, 196; Reyn., pp. 162, 165, 170.

⁴ L.A., f. 27.

⁵ *Ibid.*

⁶ Geyn., p. 207.

⁷ *Ibid.*, p. 67.

⁸ W. de B. appears in a writ of June 1304, but not in Feb. 1305. Geyn., pp. 207, 216.

⁹ Reyn., p. 170.

¹⁰ Phillimore's *Eccl. Law* (1873), 295—8.

title of vicarage to practically all which were not rectories, and of rectory to some which were vicarages, prevent the present "Crockford" from showing the true proportion of appropriations. It was very considerable, for many advowsons were given to Religious houses, and the temptation to get as much income from them as possible is obvious. The first step usually was to require the Rector to pay an annual pension, but that did not usually satisfy, and appropriation followed if possible.

The small portions allowed to the vicars and the great diversion of endowments intended for the parochial clergy to the Religious houses caused the Lateran Council of 1179 to look into the matter, and to ordain that vicars should have a fixed and sufficient maintenance and should not be removable at the will of the appropriator. This decree was not much enforced in England until after the Council of Westminster (1200), and there was no haste then, if we are to judge by the diocese of Lincoln, which has in its *Liber Antiquus de Ordinationibus Vicariarum* a record of the ordination of nearly 300 vicarages by Bishop Hugo de Welles between the years 1213 and 1218.¹

To guard against abuses, the appropriation had to be decreed in the first instance by the bishop, and confirmed by the archbishop and the pope. In England the King's consent was also necessary. Worcester's mistake about Dodderhill was that action was taken on the bishop's decree, without waiting for any of the other consents. This put them in the wrong with archbishop, pope and king, and delayed the fulfilment of their desire for more than thirty years.

The arguments by which they persuaded Bishop Giffard to grant the appropriation were no doubt much the same as those drawn up for Bishop Reynolds in 1313, and may be summed up: Poverty and debt, caused chiefly by exceeding great claims on their hospitality.²

The Prior told Geynesburgh all about it at their first meeting,³ and the bishop seems to have been sympathetic, for he apparently raised the topic himself in chapter, on the day after his enthronement, in those somewhat cryptic sentences which I believe to amount to: "The court of Rome backed up the Archbishop against you this time, but another time it may not. Our Archdeacon, Cardinal Francis, has great influence. My own appointment owed a good deal to him. But nothing can be done

¹ The *Liber Antiquus*, etc., edited by A. Gibbons, with an introduction by Canon Perry, was printed at Lincoln in 1888. Sir Robert Phillimore (*Ecclesiastical Law*, 1873 edn., i. 263, etc.) says that appropriation came in with the Normans, and that within the space of 300 years above a third part of the benefices became appropriated.

² The document is printed in full in Nash's *Worc.*, i. 339, and a summary will be found in Reg. Reynolds, p. 75 (*Worc. Hist. Soc.*).

³ Reg. S. V., f. 18d, p. 50.

at Rome without money, and you must guarantee the costs of putting the matter through."¹

Perhaps the monastery was not willing to be bound under its seal for the necessary money, or perhaps the Archbishop was too strong for them; in any case there was no result during Geynesburgh's time.

A former vicar of Dodderhill, Canon Clement Price, sends me a summary of the whole affair collected from Registers and other records, with which this section may well close:—

1302, Jan. 21. Giffard appropriates Dodderhill to the convent and dies five days after. The convent pensions the rector, and the Prior is instituted as rector.

1302, Nov. 17. The new Archbishop (Winchelsey) writes to the Prior bidding him show cause why the presentation does not belong to the archbishop, the convent having presented on the neglect of the patron to do so.

(As the convent was patron, there is no clue to the Archbishop's grounds for this claim.)

1303, April 30. The Prior waits on the Archbishop at Saltwood, but fails to move him. The Archbishop declares Dodderhill vacant, but is willing to let the convent appoint, if they will give it to John de Middleton, who is brother to Gilbert de Middleton, one of their own clerks.

The convent wash their hands of this appointment, saying it is a matter for the Middletons alone.

1303, May 19. J. de Middleton is inducted.

1303, June 9. They consult the new Bishop at the time of his enthronement. He says he will consider it, and later sends for all documents, and eventually removes J. de Middleton.

1303, July 12. The Archbishop orders a public inhibition against all who withhold tithes and payments from J. de Middleton.

1303, Aug. 31. The Archbishop cites the P. and C. to Canterbury to answer for their pretensions.

They appoint a proctor to appeal at Rome against the Archbishop's claim to present.

N.B.—This was their second appeal to Rome.

1304, May 1. Edward I. sends a writ to the Bishop to admit a fit person to Dodderhill on the King's presentation, he having recovered the presentation by judgment of his court against the Archbishop, Bishop and J. de Middleton.

1304, Aug. 3. William de Thorntoft, a King's Clerk, is instituted and inducted on the presentation of the King.

¹ Reg. S. V., f. 19d, and see above, pp. vii, viii.

- 1305, May 21. The Archbishop writes to the King that he will not proceed till after the next Parliament with the complaint of contempt brought against the Bishop for having removed the rector (J. de M.).
- 1305, May 22. Pardon to P. and C., in consideration of 20 marks paid before the Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer, for appropriating the church of Dodderhill, by reason of which trespass the King recovered the presentation thereto and seized the advowson into his own hands. The advowson is restored to the P. and C. as freely as they held it before the appropriation. (Patent Rolls.)

This does not finish the business. Bp. Reynolds on Michaelmas 1313 granted the appropriation on the cession or decease of the rector, and confirmed it as Archbishop on 2 Feb. 1317, as appears in a subsequent confirmation by the Chapter of Canterbury, dated 29 Sep. 1330. Three years later, on 15 Sep. 1333, the Pope decreed the appropriation on the cession or decease of the rector, which decree was issued by Bp. Orleton on 6 Nov. 1333 and completed by the King's consent on 6 Feb. 1334. These documents are printed in Nash, i. 339—343.

Writs.

The Bishop had the return of Writs in the lands of his bishopric, and he, not the sheriff, had to execute all writs against his tenants and against all clerks in respect of their ecclesiastical goods. If a clerk had a lay fee the sheriff could distrain him by it, but he might not enter on ecclesiastical ground.¹

There is nothing very remarkable about the writs. Debt is the most frequent cause. Some men come over and over again, notably Simon de Prewes, rector of Tetbury and son of John de Prewes of Great Tew,² and John Devereux (*de Ebvoicis*), Bishop Giffard's nephew, rector of Tredington (Worc.) and sometime archdeacon of Gloucester.³ They both got well into double figures.

The troubles of Bishop Giffard's executors in winding up his estate are indicated by many writs, of which more demand payments from them than to them.⁴

One writ shows that the Abbot of Pershore compounded with 200 marks for service in Gascony,⁵ and another that the Bishop was

¹ Reg. Reynolds, pp. 19, 55.

² See pp. 42, 76, 88, 98, 201, 206, 213, 217, 227, 228, 230, 233, 234.

³ pp. 63, 78, 188, 193, 198, 208, 209, 213, 215, 219, 228, 236, 237.

⁴ pp. 67, 194, 196, 199, 200, 201, 207, 208, 212, 215, 216, 233.

p. 219.

distraigned by all his serfs in his manor of Bishop's Cleeve for 60s., an aid levied on $1\frac{1}{2}$ knight's fees when the King's eldest daughter was married.¹

There are writs when the royal prerogative was infringed by taking a civil case into the ecclesiastical court,² by the publishing of citations in the King's free chapel of St. Martin le Grand,³ and by the excommunication of the prior and canons of St. Oswald of Gloucester, also a Royal Free Chapel.⁴

There are only three for deeds of violence: a night assault by clerks at Bristol,⁵ an assault by the rector of Upton Warren upon a servant of Bishop Langton, the Treasurer,⁶ and another by the rector of Haselor upon Nicholas de Tresel, so that his life was despaired of and he suffered damage to the extent of 40s.⁷

Others deal with presentations to benefices,⁸ and there are the usual long lists of demands for taxes, which show incidentally what strange forms place-names may take when there is no local knowledge, besides being of interest as an episode in a chapter of church history which is not closed yet.⁹

How and when the Pope first came to have First-fruits and Tenthhs of English benefices is not clear.¹⁰ The reign of John seems the most likely time. In 1252, or the next year, Pope Innocent IV. granted the Tenthhs to Henry III. for three years towards the expenses of a Crusade.¹¹ No copy of the valuation then made by Walter, Bishop of Norwich, and termed "Pope Innocent's" or "the Norwich Valor," has survived, but there are entries relating to it in the Patent Rolls and Calendars of Papal Letters.

On 26 March 1255 Pope Alexander renewed the grant, and a month later extended it for another two years.¹¹ In 1288 Pope Nicholas IV. gave the Tenthhs to Edward I. for six years, also for a Crusade, and copies of the Valor then made have survived, and were published in 1802 by the Record Commission under the title "*Taxatio Ecclesiastica auctoritate P. Nicholai IV., circa A.D. 1291.*" This valuation remained in force until the "*Valor Ecclesiasticus*" was made by order of Henry VIII. in 1535.

The Pope seems to have doubted whether Edward really meant to use the money for a crusade, for in writing to him on 3 February 1291 he reminds him of the compact and disclaims all doubt of the

¹ p. 62.

² p. 65.

³ p. 203.

⁴ pp. 204-5.

⁵ pp. 62-3.

⁶ pp. 81, 194.

⁷ pp. 216-17.

⁸ pp. 62, 199, 203, 205, 211, 227.

⁹ pp. 182, 189, 220; see also 66, 79, 194, 229.

¹⁰ See Phillimore's *Eccl. Law*, chap. viii.

¹¹ Cal. Pap. Letters.

King's intentions. And there are other communications to the same effect.

Trouble with France, and afterwards with Scotland, kept the King from going to the Holy Land, but Rome was still hopeful, and on 17 August 1302 Boniface VIII. made another grant for three years,² reducing it to half the Tenth in the following year.³ It is this grant with which the writs in the Register are concerned.

There are four of them. The first, issued 15 June 1305, demanding payment by 21 July.⁴ The second, issued on 27 July, contains the same demands again, because, as the bishop explained in his return to the first, nothing could be raised before autumn. Payment was demanded within a fortnight of Michaelmas.⁵ The next is dated 4 November, and demands payment by 20 January. A good many payments had been made by now.⁶ The last is dated February 1306, and orders payment to be made as quickly as possible. The bishop is to report at Westminster on the morrow of the close of Easter, which would be 11 April.

Between July 1305 and February 1306 more than 200 had paid up, leaving about 140 defaulters. These must have paid by Easter, for no further writ comes, and the King did not have to carry out his threat of seizing the bishop's barony.⁷

These writs raise problems which I can state, but, for lack of knowledge, cannot solve.

The amount demanded is generally a half of the Tenth as given in "Taxatio." This seems to mean that the King was demanding his own half share, but not the Pope's. How was the Pope's share collected?⁸

Of the whole number of taxable benefices in the diocese (reckoning portions received by religious houses, etc., as separate benefices, and allowing for exemption by reason of poverty) only about half appear in the writs. How were the others dealt with?

A third problem may be added. To whom is our greatest debt? To the Pope who originated First-fruits and Tenths? To Henry VIII. who took them from him? or to Queen Anne, who by her Bounty restored them to the Church?

¹ Cal. Pap. Letters.

² Close Roll.

³ Pat. Roll.

⁴ p. 220.

⁵ p. 229. This is not printed at length.

⁶ p. 183.

⁷ p. 189.

⁸ In the Calendar of Papal Letters, 8 K. Nov. 1306, is an acquittance to the firm of Spini of Florence of sums received and paid over by them since the time of Boniface VIII. Among these are mentioned the old and new tenths in Ireland and England. And in the Sede Vacante Register (p. 5) the abbot and convent of Gloucester appear as sub-collectors of the Tenth in aid of the Roman Church. The Bishop of London seems to have been chief collector.

The Register.

The Register is written on 57 parchment leaves about $12\frac{3}{4} \times 8\frac{3}{8}$ in., bound in vellum. The binding dates presumably from 1824, for there is written on a fly-leaf at the end: "Memoranda made in 1824 by Henry Clifton. Page 12 wanting. Page 47 wanting." But this is not the full tale of loss, for there are two numberings of the folios, the original in Roman figures and another early one in Arabic. They keep together up to 46, but the next is li—48, and so on to the last, which is lxii—59. The total loss is therefore 5 leaves. Mr. Willis Bund has used the Roman numbers.

At the end is a seventeenth century index on a single sheet of paper, and there is part of a drawing of the elevation of a gable on the inside of what was once the cover.

The Kalendar.

This has been looked through and everything suspect marked for reference to the original. The resulting additions and corrections make a considerable show, and may suggest that the Kalendar is unreliable. To say that would be to say too much, as there are few places where a definitely wrong impression is conveyed and very few of much importance. I wish to draw special attention to two classes of corrections: (1) The marginal dates in leaded type are not in the original, and it is not a simple business to put them in when the years are mixed up as they are in this volume. (2) The interpretation of the abbreviation to uttermost in the ordination lists may easily be missed. The former have been corrected as they occur, and the latter, being recurrent, have been explained in a note at the beginning of the Additions and Corrections.

Mr. Willis Bund, in his Introduction to Giffard's Register (pp. vii and viii), discusses the various ways of doing such records, from which two sentences ought, in fairness to him, to be quoted: "It is a choice between waiting until the Registers can be well done or their not being done at all," and the other, "Every entry is described; of the more important, or those that are deemed the more important, the substance is given It must always be remembered that it only purports to be a Kalendar, not a transcript."

Mr. Willis Bund was a rapid worker. He was so fully occupied with important administrative work that, when it came to a hobby like historical records, it must always have been a case of rapid work, or no ground would have been covered. Reading hastily he sometimes jumped at interpretations, and he had little leisure for revision. If he

did misread or misinterpret a word or a sentence here and there, he got at the gist of the matter. And he did cover a great deal of ground. Thanks entirely to him the three earliest Worcester Registers have been available for twenty years and more, to the great gain of all who have had occasion to read them. I am not defending inaccuracy any more than he would have done, and I have drawn attention to the inaccuracies in this volume because I know he would have wished it. But I do maintain that what he did was well worth doing, and count it a privilege to be associated, even to the small extent of this Introduction, with the work of one of the most notable of all Worcestershire men.

APPENDIX I.—HOLDERS OF BENEFICES.

This is not a complete list of Benefices; it contains those only whose incumbents appear in the Register, whether in the Institutions or otherwise. The Patrons who presented are also given.

Abbreviations are used as follows:—

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| A. = Abbey or Abbot. | H. = Hospital. |
| An. = Abbey of nuns or Abbess. | P. = Priory or Prior. |
| C. = Chapel. | Pn. = Priory of nuns or Prioress. |
| Cant. = Chantry. | p. = Patron or person presenting. |
| Ch. = Church. | Preb. = Prebend or Prebendary. |
| Coadj. = Coadjutor. | R. = Rectory or Rector. |
| Commend. = in Commendam. | s. = Son. |
| Cust. = Custody. | V. = Vicarage or Vicar. |
| d. = Daughter. | vac. = during the vacancy. |
| h. = Heir or heiress. | H., J., T. and W. stand for Henry, John, Thomas and William. |

- Abbots Lench C., Habblench. Ralf Nulph, R. or V. 12, 14.
 Abbots Morton, R. Geoff. 150.
 Acton Beauchamp, R. William. 71.
 Alvechurch, R. Rob. de Wychio. 171.
 Ampney Crucis, V. Thos. de Wade. p. Tewkesbury A. 87.
 Arrow, R. W. de Caunvyle. 43.
 Astley, P. Ralf de Portes, Steph. de Meysiac. p. S. Taurin A.,
 Evreux. 85, 135.
 Astley, V. W. de Dersyngton. p. Bishop. 15.
 Aston Cantlow, R. Phil. de Kerby, Giles de Baggeshovere. p. J. de
 Hastings. 127, 148, 151, 152.
 Aston Somerville, R. Rob. de Curtlingstok, J. Somervyle, William.
 p. Hawise Somervyle. 30, 144, 180.
 Aston White Ladies, V. W. de Seggesberwe, Hugh de Barndesley.
 p. Whiston Pn. 86, 142.
 Atherstone on Stour, Adreston, R. W. de Dalby, Rog. de Beler or
 le Baler. p. Tewkesbury A. 105, 145, 153, 166.
 Avening, R. Peter. 97.
 Aust, Preb. of, *see* Westbury.
 Aylesford, *error for* Daylesford. 68.

- Barnsley C., Barndesley. Geoff. de Waleden, J. de Waleden. p. Bohun, earl of Hereford. 24, 96, 101, 104.
- Belbroughton, Brochton Belne, R. Ralf de Haggeley, Nic. de Stafford. p. Joan de Sudleye. 148, 153, 168, 171, 175.
- Beverstone, R. Thos. de Avenyng, Ad. de Eglesfeld, J. de Kyrkeby (cust.). p. King, vac. Gloucester A. 148, 151.
- Bibury, Cure of. W. de Wymberville, T. de Weston, canons of Oseney. p. Oseney A. 161, 179.
- Binton, Bunynton, R. H. de Wonecote. 135, 150.
- Birlingham, R. Rob. le Whyte, 214 (R. of B. or Nafford in margin).
- Birts Morton, M.-Brnt, R. W. de Shireborn, Wlstan de Scheldesley. p. Ric. de Ruhale of M.-B. 102, 143.
- Bishampton, R. Rob. de Neuwynton, J. de Somery. p. Rob. de Someri. 101, 105, 135, 167, 176, 197, 230.
- Bishop's Cleeve, Clyve, R. W. de Hamme, T. de Berton. 8, 197.
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- Bitton, Preb. of. W. de Sarden, Ric. de Wynton, J. de Wynchelseye. p. Bp. of Salisbury. 6, 97, 124.
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² An earlier rector had leave of absence to serve Princess Mary in Nov. 1303.

³ Ralf would seem to have been ejected for pluralism. A commission of enquiry issued on 12 July and Stratton was admitted on 16th.

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Gnosall (Staff.), Knoueshall, Preb. of. And. de Asseborn. 139.

Gratwich, Grotewych. Hugh de Bampton. 174.

Harborough Magna (War.), Hardeberewe, R. Rob. de Farendon. 109.

Lichfield Cath. Sacrist. W. de Notyngham. 40.

Madeley (Sal.), R. T. le Venour. 94.

Prees (Sal.), V. W. de Thorp Watervill. 94.

Rugby (War.), Rokeby, R. W. de Leone. 38.

Weston on Trent (Derb.), R. Rog. de Aston. 41.

Lincoln—

Hanslope (Buck.), Hamslep, R. Pet. le Blount. 152.

Huntingdon, Archdn. Walt. de Wotton. 79.

Strixton (Northants), R. Rob. de Cesternslade. 18.

Swalcliff (Oxf.), R. T. de Wycham. 163

Tackley (Oxf.), R. Roger. 69.

London—

Birdbrook (Es.), Bridebrok, R. T. de Clenche. 33.

Hillingdon (Mid.), Holendon, V. William. 31.

Norwich—

Beghton, ? Beighton, Norf., or Beyton, Suff., R. Geoff. de Parco.
156, 170.

Bridgham (Norf.), Bregham, R. Leonard Beauchamp. 105.

Rochester—

Luddesdown (Kent), R. Rob. de Rodeswell. 174.

Salisbury—

Batcombe (Dor.), Batescombe, R. W. de Crundewell. 33.

Chettle (Dor.), R. J. Dabetot. 90.

Coulston (Wilts), Covelston, R. Nic. de Schepey. 174.

York—

Brayton (York), R. J. de Nassington. 24.

Marske (York), Mersk, R. Steph. le Scrop. 174.

Melling (Lanc.), R. W. de Stoketh. 125, 131, 133.

APPENDIX II.—IDENTIFICATIONS.

The following list used in conjunction with the index will, it is hoped, make it easy to find places obscured by unfamiliar spelling, and to distinguish those of similar name.

The modern name comes either first, followed by typical forms in the Register, or last with = before it.

For Churches and Chapels in the diocese the ancient archdeaconry and deanery are given in an abbreviated form, and for other places the county.

Page references have been added where it seemed necessary for clearness.

Abbreviations.

a d G or a d W = Archdeaconry and deanery of Gloucester or Worcester.

C. = Chapel.

Ch. = Church.

f. = formerly.

A list of the deaneries in the order of the "Taxatio" (1291):—*Worcester Archdeaconry.*

Worcester.
Powick.
Kidderminster.
Wych.
Persnore.
Warwick.
Kineton.
Blockley.
Evesham.

Gloucester Archdeaconry.

Bristol.
Dursley.
Hawkesbury.
Bitton.
Stonehouse.
Cirencester.
Fairford.
Stow.
Campden.
Winchcombe.
Gloucester.

Abberton, Ebrihton, W, Pers. 183, 190. Not to be confused with
Ebrihton = Ebrington, *q.v.*

Adreston, *see* Atherstone.

Alderley, Arley, G, Hawk. 185, 191, 224.

Almondsbury, Aylemundesbury, G, Bris.

Alveston f. in Hampton Lucy, W, War.

Ampney, Ameneye—

-Crucis, -St. Cross, G, Ciren. 87, 186, 226.

-St. Mary, G, Ciren. 186, 192, 226.

-St. Peter, G, Ciren. 109.

Downampney, G, Fair., *q.v.*

Arleye—

Areley King's, Arley C., Harley, a d W. 85, 182, 220.

Alderley, *q.v.*

Arrow, Arewe, Arwe, Hewe 43 *error*, W, War. 43, 184, 190, 222.

Ashleworth, Hazelworth, a d G. 187, 192, 225.

Ashmore, Assmer (Dors.). 104.

Astlech, *see* Eastleach.

Astley, Esteleye, a d W.

Aston—

-Blank, Cold-, Great-, G, Stow. 74, 141, 186, 192, 226.

-Cantlow, -Cantelou, W, War. 127, 148, 151, 152, 184, 190, 222.

-Somerville, G, Camp. 30, 68, 107, 144, 158, 180, 192, 225.

White Ladies-, a d W. 30, 76, 86, 142.

Atherstone on Stour, Adreston, Atheleston, W, Kin.

Aumeleye, *see* Elmley.

Aumeneye, *see* Ampney.

Aylesford, *error for* Daylesford, *q.v.*

Bachesor, Bachesover, Bagshover = Batsford, G, Camp.

Badgworth, Begworth, G, Winch.

Badminton, Bavynton, G, Hawk.

Barlborough, Barleburch (Derb.). 41.

Barton on the Heath, Barton, -in Henmarsh, W, Kin.

Batescombe = Batcombe (Dor.).

Beauver = Belvoir (Linc.).

Beckwell = ? Welbeck (Notts).

Beghton = Beighton (Norf.) *or* Beyton (Suff.).

Belbroughton, Brocton, Beln Brouthon, Brocton Belne, W, Kid. 148, 153, 168, 171, 175, 183, 190, 221, *and see* Brocton.

Belsale = Temple Balsall (War.).

Berga = Berrow, W, Pow.

Berlingscote, *error for* Darlingscote, in Tredington (Worc.).

Bernyngton = Barrington (G.).

Bidford, Budiford, W, War.

Binton, Bunynton, Bynnynton, W, War.

Birt's Morton, Morton Brut, W, Pow.

Bishop's Cleeve, Clyve, G, Winch.

-Hampton = Hampton Lucy, *q.v.*

Biseleye, Bisseleye, etc., *and* Byrley, *error* (242) = Bisley, G, Stenh.

100, 102, 111, 210.¹

Bisseleye, Bisseleye = Bushley, G, Winch.² 187, 192, 225.

Bladynton = Bledington, G, Stow.

Bourton on the Hill, Burton, etc., G, Camp. 81, 129, 167, 184, 191, 223.

Bourton on the Water, Borton, Boruhton, Burton, Buruton, G, Stow.

140, 159, 171, 179, 186, 192, 226.

Boyton (Wilts).

Brayton (Yorks).

Bregham = Bridgham (Norf.).

Bridebrok = Birdbrook (Essex).

Broadwas, Bradewas, a d W.

Brockley (11), *error for* Blockley.

Brocton, *see* Belbroughton and Broughton Hacket.

Broughton Hacket, Brocton Haket 229, and ? Brocton 28.

Bruera = Bruerne (Ox.).

Bucton = Button = Bitton, G, Bitt. Add 185 in index.

Budiford = Bidford, W, War.

Bukeden = Buckden (Hunts).

Buriford = Burford (Ox.).

Burnham (Bucks).

Buruton, Burton, etc., *see* Bourton.

Bushley, *see* Bisseleye.

Bynynton, etc., *see* Binton.

Byrely, *error for* Bisley, 242.

Campden = Chipping Campden, G, Camp.

Cerney—

North-, G, Ciren.

South-, -Milonis, G, Ciren.

Chaddesley Corbett, Shaddesley, W, Kid. (Cheldesley, p. 196, is Shelsley.)

Charnel House = Carnary Chapel, Worcester.

Cheldesley = Shelsley Beauchamp.

Chelmundescote = Chelmscote, in Brailes, W, War.

Chepstow, *see also* Strogoil.

Chetel = Chettle (Dor).

¹ Fol. 55. "H. de Uppehavene" in the writ is "Rector of Bisselee" in the margin (210).

² Now in Worcester Archdeaconry.

- Child's Wickham, Wykewane, G, Camp.
 Churchill (in Halfshire), in the forest of Kynefar, W, Kid.
 Ciston = Siston, G, Bitt.
 Cleeve Prior, Clyve-P., W, Pers. 172, 178, 221.
 Bishop's-, Clyve, G, Winch.
 Clevelode, Elmelode, W, Pow. 183, 190, 220.
 Clifford = Clifford Chambers, G, Camp.
 Cold Aston, *see* Aston, Cold-.
 Colde Newton, -Newynton, *see* Newington Bagpath.
 Combe, Coumbe-Baskervyle, *now* Westcote, G, Stow.
 Compton—
 Great- = Long-, W, Kin. 154.
 -Greenfield, Greyville, G, Brist. 176.
 Little-, G, Stow. 69, 86, 135, 139, 223.
 -Wyniates, W, Kin. 101, 111, 139.
 Coveleston = Coulston (Wilts).
 Coveley. 138.
 Coaley, G, Durs. 104, 180.
 Cowley, G, Stonh. 186, 191, 226.
 Cowley (Midd.). 15.
 Crokeberowe = Crookbarrow, in Whittington (Worc.).
 Croome (all in W, Pers.).
 d'Abitot. 103, 111, 124.
 Earl's-, -Simon. 58, 88, 109, 183.
 Cumboynton = Comberton, W, Pers.
 Cutberley = Coberley, G, Stonh.

 Derham (Deerham *error*) = Dyrham, *q.v.*
 Derlingscote, Berlynsote = Darlingscote, in Tredington (Worc.).
 Dichford, Disford Frary = Ditchford, W, Kin., *afts.* Block.
 Didmarton, Dodemerton, G, Hawk.
 Dodford, in Bromsgrove (Worc.)
 Dodington, *as* Hodynton, G, Hawk. 224.
 Downampney, Donameneye, Dunameney, etc., G, Fair.
 Duntisbourne—
 -Abbot's, G, Ciren.
 -Rous, Knight's (*Militis*), G, Ciren.
 Durham, *see* Dyrham.
 Dydesham = Dittisham (Dev.).
 Dyrham, Derham, Durham, G, Bitt. 62, 185, 191, 225, 237.

 Eastington, Esteneston, Eston, Estynton, G, Stonh. 114, 142, 156,
 170, 185, 225.

Eastleach, Astlech, Estlecch. 22, 70, 139.

-Martin, G, Fair. 82, 83, 104, 131, 142.

-Turville, St. Andrew, G, Fair.¹

Ebrihton—

Abberton, *q.v.*

Ebrington, Ebrithton, G, Camp. 24, 25, 86, 109, 186, 225.

Eccleshall = Exhall, W, War.

Eggeword = Edgworth, G, Stonh.

Elmley, Elmeley—

-Castle, sub Castro, Henley (218) *error for* Elmley, W, Pers.
183, 190, 196, 200, 212, 218, 221.

-Lovett, Aumeley, W, Kid. 145, 221.

Elmelode—

Clelode, Clivelode, Elmelode, W, Pow. 183, 190, 220.

Evenlode, Elmelode, Eunelode, G, Block. 184, 191, 223.

Esseby (118), some Ashby in Northants.

Ettington, Etyndon, W, Kin.

Eyford, Eyuord, G, Stow.

Eyton (Sal.).

Farmington, G, Ciren., *see below under* Thormerton.

Flavel = Flyford Flavel, W, Pers.

Folebrok = Fullbrook, W, War.

Foleham = Fulham.

Frompton, Frontone—

Frampton Cotterell, G, Bitt. 131, 185, 224.

Frampton on Severn, G, Durs. 104, 224.

Gilby, near Gainsborough (Lincs).

Gilpyt hundred = A court in the hundred of Pathlow (War.).

Grafton—

-Flyford, G.-under Flavel, W, Pers. 78, 87, 150, 172, 182,
221.

Temple-, W, War. 37, 38, 167, 222.

Habbelench = Abbot's Lench, W, Pers.

Hampton—

-Curly = H. on the Hill, in Budbrook (War.).

Great-, -by Evesham, W, Eves.

-Lovett, W, Kid.

¹ Tewkesbury Abbey was patron of Turville and Malvern Priory of Martin,

- Lucy, Bishop's-, -on Avon, W, Kin.¹
- Meysey, G, Fair.
- Moigne (*Monialium*) = Minchinhampton, G, Stenh.
- by Kingston (Midd.).
- Hamptone (143) *error for* Hamptonet.
- Hamptonet = Hampnett, G, Ciren. (Add 143 in index.)
- Hamslap = Hanslope (Buck.).
- Hanbury, Hambury, Hembury, etc.—
 - Hanbury, -by Wych, W, Wych. 30, 31, 34, 35, 76.
 - Henbury, -in Saltmarsh, G, Bris. 7, 8, 34, 35, 36, 129, 133, 134, 197, 198, 199, 200.
- Hardeberewe = Harborough Magna (War.).
- Harvington (in Chaddesley Corbett), Herwynton, Horewynton, appears in person's names only.
- Harvington, Herforton, Herverton, Herworton, W, Pers. 100, 183, 190, 221.
- Haselworth = Ashleworth, *q.v.*
- Helyndon, Holendon = Hillingdon (Midd.).
- Henley (218) *error for* Elmley Castle.
- Hetham = Higham Ferrers (Northants).
- Hewe (14) *error for* Arewe = Arrow.
- Hilmedon = Ilmington, W, Kin.
- Hinton, Hynnington = Hinton on the Green, G, Camp.
- Hodynton (224) *error for* Dodington.

- Ikelford = Ickleford (Herts).
- Iweley = Uley, G, Durs.

- Kenswick, Kelygwyk, Kingwich, Kyngworth, a d W. 182, 189, 220.
- Kenyton = Kennington (Surr.).
- Kington, Kynton, etc. 202
 - Kinton, W, Kin. 111, 153, 184, 191, 223.
 - Kington, W, Pers. 84.
- Kirkebrid = Bridekirk (Cum.).
- Knight's Dutesborn = Duntisbourne Rous.
- Knightwick, Knyghwik, Knythwyk, a d W. 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 76.
- Kocton = Coughton, W, War.

- Langeberge, Longa Berga = Longborough, G, Stow.
- Langebrig = Longbridge, by Berkeley (G).

¹ All "Hampton" entries in index belong to Hampton Lucy except 143, which is Hampnett.

Lasberrow = Lasborough, G, Durs.

Lench (all in W, Pers.)—

Abbots-, Habbelench. 14.

Church-, -Roculf. 99, 124, 181, 221.

Rous-, -Rondulf. 183, 221, 234.

Littleton = Littleton on Severn, a G, d Bris.

Lodyngton = Luddington, W, Kin.

Longa Berga = Longborough.

Luddesdon = Luddesdown (Kent).

Madlee = Madeley (Sal.).

Malgaresbury = Maugersbury (G).

Marlecleeve, Marle Elyve = Marcliff (War.).

Matesdon = Matson, a d G.

Melling (Lanc.).

Mersle, *error for* Merske = Marske (Yorks.).

Minchinhampton, Hampton Moigne (*Monialium*), G, Stohn.

Monks Wotton = Wootton Wawen.

Morton, Moreton. 68, 89, 90, 100, 110, 137, 160.

Abbots-, W, Pers., *q.v.*

-Bagot, W, War. 184, 190, 222.

Birt's, -Brut, W, Pow. 102, 143.

-Morrell, -Daubeney, W, Kin. 30, 43, 68, 80, 92, 138, 223.

-Valence, a d G. 187, 192, 225.

Morton Lindsey, *error for* Norton Lindsey.

Natgrave = Notgrove, G, Stow.

Naunton, *see under* Newenton.

Newbold = Newbold Pacey, W, Kin.

Newenton, Newinton, Neuton, etc.—

Naunton, Newinton on Coteswold, G, Stow. 42, 62, 121, 123,
134, 227.

Naunton Beauchamp, W, Pers. 221.

Newington Bagpath, Colde Neuton, Colde Newynton, G, Durs.
40, 71, 104, 180.

Norton = ? near Evesham.

Nuthurst, *as* Sohirst *error* (Suss.).

Oddinggest, *error for* Oddyngesleye = Oddingley, a d W.

Oldberrow, Ullberewe, Wilberrow, W, War. 184, 190, 222.

Oldbury = Oldbury on the Hill, G, Hawk.

Opton = Upton St. Leonards, a d G.

Otyndon = Oddington (G).

Overbury, W, Pers. *Prefix* Overbury to church of, 20 . . . in line next
below Ovene in index.

Oxsulne = Oxhill, W. Kin.

Paxford, in Blockley.

Pebmore = Pedmore, W, Kid.

Pilardington = Pillerton, W, Kin.

Piriton = Pirton, a d W.

Poy = Powick.

Preston. 138, 154, 160.

-Bagot, a W, d War. 41, 89, 109, 184, 190, 222, 237.

(j. Cirencester), G, Ciren. 88, 110, 122, 159, 186, 192, 226.

-on Stour, G, Camp. 101, 140, 225.

Priors Wotton = Wootton Wawen, *q.v.*

Quenton = Quinton, G, Camp.

Raddyng = Reading (Berks).

Rendewyk = Randwick, a d G.

Resindon, Rysindon = Rissington (G).

-Basset = Little-, G, Stow. 182, 186, 199, 216.

Rupa = St. Catherine's C., Wollashill, in Eckington, W, Pers.

Saltford = Salford Priors, W, War.

Sandych = Standish, *q.v.*

Scraueley = Shrawley, a d W.

Scrogoil = Strigul = Chepstow (Mon.).

Shelesleigh, Cheldesley (196) = Shelsley Beauchamp, a d W.

Shesnecote = Seizincote, G, Camp.

Shevington *error for* Shenyndon = Shenington, a G, d Camp.

Shipton, Schypton, Shypton—

-Ocliffe, -Clyve *error for* Olyve, -St. Oswald, G, Winch. 173,
177, 187, 192, 225.

-Solers, -Chaunflour, G, Stow. 86, 128, 133, 226.

-Moyne, G, Stonh.

Sobbury, Solbury, Sowir' *error for* Sobbir' = Sodbury, G, Hawk.

Sohirst *error for* Nuthurst (Suss.).

Spernore = Spennall, W, War.

Standish, a d G. 34, 125, 126, 130.

Stibbenh' = Stepney.

Stodley = Studley—

Austin Canons (War.).

Benedictine Nuns (Ox.).

Stoketh' (not place but person).

Stowe, Lower-, *error for* Lower Swell, G, Stow.

Stratton, Stretton—

Stratton, G, Ciren. 96, 186, 192, 226.

Stretton on Fosse, W, Block.

Strixton (Northants).

StycheFord = Stechford (Worc.).

Tackley (Ox.).

Teulesford = Thelsford, in Charlecote (War.).

Thormerton, Tormarton, Tormerton—

Farmington, G, Ciren. 86, 104, 130, 173, 186, 192, 226.

Tormarton, G, Hawk. 185, 225.

Tokynnton = Tockington, G, Bris.

Torleton = Tarleton, G, Stonh.

Totenhale = Tettenhall (Staffs.).

Touksey = Torksey (Linc.).

Tottebury, Tuttebury = Tetbury, G, Stonh.

Tyderington = Titherington, G, Hawk.

Tywe = Great Tew (Ox.).

Uley, Iweley, Yweley, G, Durs.

Ulleberewe = Oldberrow, *q.v.*

Ulveston = Olveston, G, Bris.

Upton. 106, 169.

-St. Leonards, Opton, a d G. 225.

-on Severn, W, Pow. 159, 172, 220.

-Warren, W, Wych. 81, 183, 190, 221, 228, 231.

Walecote, Watecote = Whatcote, W, Kin., *add* 223 in index.

Warndon, Warmedon, a d W.

Webley = Weobley (Heref.).

Welford, Welneford, G, Camp.

Welland, Wenelond, W, Pers.

Westfardley, *error for* Welfardley = Wolverley, *q.v.*

Westreley = Westerleigh, C. of Pucklechurch, G, Bitt.

Whichford, Wycheneford (222), Wychford (200, 209), W, Kin.

Whittington, Wytenton, Wytmerton *error for* Wytinton, Wytynton, G,

Winch. 29, 152, 172.

- Wickwar, Wykeware, G, Hawk. 185, 224.
 Widford, Wydeford, G, Stow.
 Willberow = Oldberrow, *q.v.*
 Wilmcote (37) in Aston Cantlow (War.).
 Winchcombe, *add* Wyth'. 166.
 Witcombe, Wydecombe, a d G.
 Withington, Wythindon, etc., G, Winch. 5, 11, 19, 20, 29, 83, 88,
 103, 108, 128, 148, 215, 216, 217.
 Winterbourne, G, Bris. 134, 196, 223.
 Wollashull, in Eckington, W, Pers.
 Wolsinton = Woolstone, G, Winch.
 Wolvard = Great Wolford, W, Kin.
 Wolwardington, etc. = Wolverton, W, War.
 Wolwardeley, Westfardeley *error for* Welfardeley = Wolverley, W,
 Kid.
 Wotton, etc.—
 Wootton Wawen, Monks-, Priors-, W, War. 29, 104, 116,
 178, 190, 222.
 Wotton under Edge, -by Kingswood, G, Durs. 84, 146, 224.
 Wyke = Wick Episcopi. (Ch. dem. and tr. to St. John in Bedwardine
 1371.)
 Wykewane = Child's Wickham, G, Camp.
 Wickhamford was also Wykewane, but does not appear unless
 in the name of a person.
 Wytton. The proper title of B. Mary and of S. Peter, Droitwich,
 is "de Witton." The former, being derelict, was united to
 St. Andrew's, Droitwich, in 1662.
 Yweley = Uley, *q.v.*

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

Note on corrections in the Ordination Lists.

There are some things of frequent recurrence, and to correct one by one would be tedious. If the conditions of ordination are remembered it will be unnecessary to do so.

Title.—At the Council of Chalcedon, A.D. 451, it was decreed that no one should be ordained “at large,” that is without a title. Originally a title meant a church, which would provide both work and maintenance; but when the number of men entering orders had grown out of all proportion to the number of churches, it came to be no more than a guarantee of maintenance.

A bishop was responsible for the maintenance of all whom he admitted to holy orders, and therefore took good care not to ordain men unless he was assured of their maintenance from some other source than himself. That is why titles are so carefully noted in the register.

Occasionally the bishop did not insist on a title if satisfied that no claim would be made on him. These exceptions are no less carefully recorded, *sine t' de p' dni.* or *de gra dni.* being the usual forms. Mr. Willis Bund has used “precept,” “writ,” and “order” indifferently for “p.” It is most likely that the bishop did, in some cases at any rate, give a written permission to men to present themselves for ordination, but anything which implies that he issued a formal command to himself to ordain them is clearly not the right word.¹

It was usual for a man whose title was his “patrimony” or “private means” to bring a document under the seal of the rural dean or some other official person in proof of its genuineness. This is the significance of “attested,” “proved” or “approved by” in the lists.

The words “to all orders,” which come at the end of some entries, refer to the title, and mean that it was good for all orders and not merely for the one to which the man was then being ordained.

Learning.—Sufficient learning was another qualification. If a man came short of the standard he was ordered not to come up for the next order until he should be better qualified. “*Stet per duos annos*” (“let

¹ *De precepto* does occur in this register, “*de permissione*” is common in other registers. Maigne d'Arnis renders the former “*Epistola a Summo Pontifice seu ab episcopo scripta.*”

him stand for two years," or whatever other time the bishop thought good) is the usual form. It is sometimes expanded into "Let him stand in the order taken for . . . years," and sometimes into "And let him not be ordained to further orders unless he shall have stood in the schools for . . . years." "*Stare in Scholis*" was a stock phrase. Mr. Willis Bund's "He may remain," "He remaining," and "On his undertaking to remain" are indefinite and even misleading. "Let him stand" seems the safest rendering.

The dates in leaded type.

These are editorial additions, and very easy to misplace in a book which has so little regard to chronological order.

Page Line

- 1 2 *For his read its (the Abbey's).*
- 16 *Add comma after courtyards, and for (pedeculturarum) read spade lands (terrarium pedecultarum), with note: Bits of land too small for the plough and therefore dug with the spade.*
- 18 *For yearly and thirty yearly oblations read all annuals, trentals and fees.*
- 2 19 *Transfer 1304 to next entry below.*
For E., read the.
- 26 *„ the bishop . . . case read him (the Archdeacon) by those who assert that the clerk must be a deacon, if he has provided a suitable minister in minor orders; for a man in minor orders is reckoned suitable for a benefice, even if it have cure of souls.*
- 5 from b. *Prefix 1305.*
- footnote 2. *For vicar read rector.*
- 4 1 *For 1304 read 1303.*
- 11 *Prefix 1304.*
- 12 *After Stratford and insert to hold the courts of them and of.*
- 18 *For Order read Leave.*
- 6 22 *„ converts read lay brethren (conversi).*
- 8 9 *„ 1303, second read 1301, seventh.*
- 9 4 *„ by read to.*
- 6 *Before John de Frompton insert by.*
- 8 *For Tenne read Fenne.*
- penult. *For Connubya read Cornubya.*

Page Line

- 11 1 *For 1303 read 1304.*
 4 *Before Commission insert 1303.*
 7 „ *Dispensation insert 1304.*
 11 *For Poy read Poywick.*
 14 „ *Brockeleye read Blockley.*
 12 3 *For Friars Minors of Malvern, who are read Little Malvern, which is.*
 13 8 *For Peter's chains read Peter ad Vincula.*
 14 mid. „ *Aboneton read Above-ton.*
 16 7 *Before Thomas insert Friar and add note Presumably Minister of the Franciscans of the province of Ireland.*
 18 9 *For 1304 read 1305.*
 19 11 „ **1303** „ **1304.**
 21 *After pontificate add [1304].*
 22 *For 1305 read 1306.*
 27 „ *[1304] read [1306].*
 28 *Prefix 1305.*

Footnotes Benedict XI, 22 Oct. 1303—July 1304.

Clement V, 15 June 1305—1314.

- 20 17 and 31 *For nourishment read the young.*
 25 *For restored read remitted.*
 32 „ *to them from read from them to.*
 26 7 „ *Chf read Clif.*
 13 *Prefix 1306.*
 27 20 *After Sutton insert our.*
 28 6 *Before clerks insert our.*
 7 and 16 *For Ralf read Ranulf.*
 9 *After Wotton, insert for being and for reception of read for harbouring.*
 This was Walter de Wotton, Archdeacon of Huntingdon and the bishop's Vicar-General.
 19 *After Brocton, insert our.*
 22 „ *Ravel, insert our.*
 29 7 *Before clerks insert our.*
 mid. *Transfer 1307 to next entry below.*
 19 *for ordination is not expressed in the original.*
After years. insert Excused further orders meanwhile,
 22 and 26 *Read The same Id Maii, i.e. 5 Id. = 11 May.*
 30 6 *For Knythuzk read Knythwyk.*
 31 1 „ *Wykws read Wylews.*
 19 „ *To publish the read Mandate to give notice of.*

Page Line

- 31 21 *After* Annunciation, *insert* for beneficed and religious only.
 Forbid others to toil thither in vain.
- 22 *For* Cerneze *read* Cerneye.
- 32 8 „ 1307 *read* 1303.
 Peter de Barton appears in Ordination lists, 32, 91, 99,
 125.
- 12 *Rearrange this.* A letter of acquittance was made for £12,
 delivered to Walter the Marshall to buy wine with by the
 executors of the bishop's predecessor.
- 17 *For* Beruchorp *read* Beruthorp.
- 20 „ *for read* bailiff of (*Hundredarii de O.*).
- 34 11 *Misericordia Domini.* The second Sunday after Easter.
 penult. drag, “menglyd (mingled) corne” (*Promptuarium Par-*
 vulorum).
- 37 22 Halton Courly is Hampton Curly in Buddbrook.
- 38 13 etc. For the meaning of “attested” and “proved” see Note
 on the Ordination lists above.
- 41 5 *For* Barlbursh *read* Barlburch.
- 24 „ Fesse *read* Fosse.
- 42 4 fr. b. *For* See *read* Lee.
- 43 7 *For* Hewe *read* Arewe.
- 49 17 „ abbe *read* Albe.
- 51 9 „ abbarum *read* albarum.
- 55 27 *Dele* with their permission *and after* expense *read* as aforesaid,
 28 *After* elsewhere; *substitute* and let it be openly declared what
 is bequeathed to them, and a fixed time appointed likewise
 at the discretion of my executors and a place where and
 when they can receive their legacies without long delay.
- 56 18 *For* 40li. *read* 10li.
- 27 and 38 } *For* fanon *read* maniple.
- 57 5
 6 fr. b. „ fastened . . . bag *read* tied together on a silken cord.
- 58 6 *After* water. *insert* And let her have the pomander.
- 11 fr. b. *For* John *read* Joan.
- 12 *For* iron footgear *read* chausses of mail.
- 59 12 „ Walter *read* Geoffry.
- 60 8 fr. b. *For* endeavour . . . legacies. *read* be suitably entertained
 as often as they have work to do about the aforesaid
 legacies.
- 61 15 *For* is referred . . . convent. *read* is restricted to monks and
 perpetual lay brethren.

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- 61 31 *For* the hospital *read* the men of the Hospital. *Add footnote* :
 "Cum in causa decimarum de terra et rebus Hominum
 Hospital' in villa de N., etc."
 In "Taxatio" Studley Priory has a portion of 6s. 8d. in
 the church of North Piddle, but there does not seem to be
 any record of the Hospitallers having had land there.
- 63 9 *For* priors *read* prior.
 12 „ priors owe *read* prior owes.
- 65 13 etc. "quod per unum annum feriis secundis ieiunet feriis
 quartis in pane potagio et cervisia ab esu piscium et
 carniū et ab omni eo quod a carne sementinam trahit
 originem. singulis vero diebus veneris in pane et aqua
 abstineat ieiunando." That is Monday a fast day, Wednes-
 day limited to bread, soup and beer, and Friday limited to
 bread and water.
- 66 10 *For* J. de Barkevill *read* J. de Baskevill.
- 68 8 Aylesford. *Note* error for Daylesford. *See* p. 102.
- 75 penult. *For* seal *read* seals.
 Footnote 1. *Add* The Cardinal is elsewhere titled of S. Lucia in
 Silice.
- 76 mid. *For* [Oct.] *read* [Nov.].
 25 „ the said Clement *read* him (*i.e.*, S. de Prewes).
- 80 7 „ Brisnigg *read* Brisrigg.
- 82 4 „ at Lucca *read* of Lucca.
 11 *Prefix* 1304.
- 86 1 *For* Eggesberwe *read* Seggesberwe.
- 87 14 „ Bonnhull *read* Boruhull.
- 90 12 Ric. de Wykyngeston, R. de S., and T. de C. were monks
 of Bruern Abbey.
 5 fr. b. *For* le Juvere *read* Junior.
 For the significance of by precept, order or writ of the bishop
 see Note on Ordination lists above.
- 95 15 *For* church *read* chapel.
- 96 2 „ church „ chapel.
 17 „ Doucclent *read* Doncclent.
 21 „ Ronhened „ Rouheued.
- 97 16 „ Oddynggest *read* Oddynggesleye and dele ?
 20 *Prefix* 1305.
 26 „ 1304.
- 100 20 „ 1305.
- 101 1 *For* 1304 *read* 1305.

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| 101 | 20 | <i>For</i> Bardesley next Bebury <i>read</i> Barnsley near Bibury. |
| 102 | 1 | „ 1304 <i>read</i> 1305 . |
| 103 | 16 | „ <i>de read</i> called. |
| 104 | 21 | <i>After</i> Estlech <i>insert</i> and. |
| 107 | 17 | “if he remain.” For the significance of this see Note on the Ordination lists. “Let him stand” may be substituted wherever it occurs. |
| 109 | 14 | <i>For</i> because title. <i>read</i> because literate. Let him bring another title. |
| | 26 | <i>For</i> he remaining title. <i>read</i> Let him stand in that order for a year. Title not to hand (<i>non habetur titulus</i>). |
| 111 | 1 | <i>For</i> Elyne <i>read</i> Elyve (<i>error for</i> Clyve). The place is Marlcliff. |
| 112 | footnote | = penes L. Harp. <i>i.e.</i> , His title is in the possession of L. Harp. |
| 116 | 18 | <i>Prefix</i> 1303 . |
| | 27 | <i>After</i> Boniface VIII. <i>add</i> [1302]. |
| 117 | last | <i>For</i> Haslehawe <i>read</i> Hasleshawe. |
| 118 | 5 | „ Cesternclede <i>read</i> Cesternelade. |
| 119 | 2 | <i>Before</i> clerks <i>insert</i> our. |
| 120 | 12 | <i>After</i> King <i>insert</i> comma. The absolution was given by the Cardinal’s authority. |
| 121 | 1 | <i>For</i> Order to <i>read</i> Order of. |
| 123 | 14 | „ 19 <i>read</i> 9. |
| 124 | 2 | „ Wolnordeley <i>read</i> Woluordeley. |
| 125 | 2 | „ Curthingstok <i>read</i> Curtlingstock. |
| 126 | 1 | „ parts orders. <i>read</i> parts. And he delivered them under the seal of the official. [His title is] to all orders. |
| | 6 | <i>Read</i> proved by G. S. and J. V., who were sworn. On condition |
| 130 | 15 | <i>For</i> Toukeseye <i>read</i> Torkeseye. |
| | 5 fr. b. | <i>For</i> Thonmerton <i>read</i> Thormerton. |
| 131 | 6 | <i>For</i> Sowir’ <i>read</i> Sobbir’ [Sodbury]. |
| | 11 | „ Eastlech <i>read</i> Eastleach Martin, <i>and for footnote substitute</i> : Eastleach Martin (St. Michael and St. Martin) R. Patron, Malvern Priory. |
| | | Eastleach Turville (St. Andrew) V. Patron, Tewkesbury Abbey. |
| 132 | 23 | <i>For</i> Southbiffenham <i>read</i> Southluffenham. |
| 135 | 11 | „ Porter <i>read</i> Portes. |
| 138 | 11 | „ Ekmerton <i>read</i> Ekinton. |

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- 141 23 *For Corby read Corly.*
- 142 note 1 *For subtucint read subticuit.*
- 143 10 *For Hamptone read Hamptonet.*
 15 „ *Suede read Snede.*
dele note 1. The Vicar General was Walter de Wotton, *see* previous page.
- 144 16 *For confirm read make it clear about.*
 The dispute was between the earl of Warwick and Muscegros. *See* F. T. S. Houghton's *Chapels of Worc.*, Birm. Arch. Soc., xlv, 65.
- 145 22 *For Tydalsith read Tydulsith.*
 7 fr. b. *Prefix 1306.*
- 148 2 *For Burnton read Buruton.*
 21 „ *Kyrlseby read Kyrkeby.*
- 150 3 „ the sole *read* but one.
 The Council of Lyons restricted commendams to 6 months and to a priest who had but one benefice with cure of souls.
- 13 *For Surft read Swift.*
 20 „ *Bornhull read Boruhull.*
- 152 14 „ *Wytmertton read Wytinton.*
 16 „ the sole *read* but one.
- 156 19 „ *Sohirst read Nuthirst.*
- 165 3 fr. b. *For Staines read Stanes.*
- 166 1 *Wyth', i.e. Wych', means Winchcombe.*
- 168 24 *For Doutesborn read Dontesborn.*
- 171 last „ *Roehampton read Rochampton.*
- 172 10 „ *Bornhull read Boruhull.*
 21 „ the sole *read* but one other.
- 173 5 and 8 *For Clyve read Olyve.*
 7 *For the sole read but one.*
- 174 17 „ *Mersle read Mersk.*
- 176 penult. *Prefix 1307.*
- 177 4 *For 1306 read 1307.*
- 178 23 *Dele* death of.
- 182 4 fr. b. *For [Knightwick or Kinswich] read [Kenswick].*
 note 1 „ served on the bishop *read* sent to the bishop for execution.
- 183 27 *For Roud [Lench Rocolf] read Rond [Rous Lench].*
 31 „ *Humbleton read Himbleton.*
After Ebrihton insert [Abberton].

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185 24 and 25 *For* Solbury *read* Sobbury.

186 penult. *For* Evrihton *read* Ebrihton [Ebrington].

187 Note that the date of issue of the writ is usually misplaced. It should come at the end of the writ, and not at the beginning of the paragraph recording the Bishop's action thereon.

189 21 *Dele* 1307.

190 5 Elmelode is Clevelode.

12 *For* Westfardley *read* Welfard' [Wolverley].

20 Ebrihton is Abberton.

191 11 *For* Ennelode *read* Eunelode [Evenlode].

192 12 „ Eynord *read* Eyuord.

27 „ Froncestre *read* Froucestre.

193 1 „ 1307 *read* 1306.

7 fr. b. *For* Stichford *read* Stechford.

194 6 *For* Leave *read* Orders them not.

26 *Dele* Clerk.

27 *For* executors *read* executor.

After Molendinis, *insert* his clerks.

199 The last writ on this page is a repetition of the last one on p. 194.

200 4 *Before* goods *insert* ecclesiastical.

5 This writ is a repetition of the first on p. 196.

202 8 J. de Cungesbury in the writ is rector of Derham in the margin.

203 23 *For* Edward II. *read* Edward I.

204 20 „ purchasers *read* purchases.

28 „ William le Tystour *read* Walter le Tystour.

6 fr. b. *Read* are not beneficed in the diocese, nor since receipt of the writ were they found.

205 4 *For* convent *read* canons.

208 7 fr. b. *For* Eevendale *read* Gevendale.

209 mid. „ „ „ „

210 9 Henry de Uppehavene is Rector of Bisselee in the margin.

24 *For* Bernthorp *read* Beruthorp.

212 last Hampton Moigne is Minchinhampton.

213 12 Beaufoy is Bella Fago in the original.

214 5 Rob. le Whyte is rector of Burlyngham or Nafford in the margin.

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219 Note. There seems no reason why the bishop should not be at Wolverhampton.

The date of receipt of this writ is obviously an error for some later date.

220 8 and note. *For* Sraneleye *read* Sraueleye [Shrawley].

7 fr. b. *For* Elmelode *read* Clevelode.

222 5 fr. b. Wycheneford is Whichford.

224 2 *For* Olneston *read* Olueston.

9 and 8 fr. b. *For* Solbury *read* Sobbury.

7 fr. b. *For* Hodynton *read* Dodynton.

225 4 *For* Shevyndon *read* Shenyndon.

226 2 „ Conleya *read* Couleya.

4 „ Beaver *read* Beuver.

5 „ Cutherleye *read* Cutberleye.

20 „ Miles *read* Milonis.

6 fr. b. *For* Eynord *read* Eyuord.

227 last writ S. de P. is to answer to Rog. de Bella Fago. *See* p. 213.

228 6 *For* before the *read* next.

231 5 fr. b. *Prefix* 1306.

232 11 *For* 1305 *read* 1306.

233 10 fr. b. *For* William *read* Walter.

236 20 *Dele* 1307.

237 1 *For* 1307 *read* 1306.

13 *Prefix* (Folio 62).

238 5 1307, more likely 1306.

REGISTER OF BISHOP WILLIAM GINSBOROUGH¹.

1303. (Fol. 1.) Whereas the church of Wykewane, belonging to the Cistercian Abbey of Bordesley, which was applied to his own uses by Godfrey [Giffard] late bishop, by title of appropriation, is without a vicar, no sufficient portion for his maintenance having been assigned; the bishop assigns for the maintenance of a perpetual vicar to serve the said church, a portion of the profits of the church, of which the value has been ascertained by inquisition of clergy and laity, as follows:—the area in the town of Wykewane in which is situated the house called the priest's house (*domus*) with the whole area adjoining, and with a garden on the church soil, west of the rectory house (*mansum*), enclosed with hedges and ditches as they are now, lying between the house (*mansum*) on one side and a mill-pond on the other side, to be built suitably by the convent before the feast of S. John the Baptist next; tithes of wool, milk, calves, young pigs, geese, eggs, honey and bees, of gardens, courtyards (*pedeculturarum*), dovecots, mills, flax and hemp; all mortuary dues except those which ought to be given in live animals; offerings at the altar, yearly and thirty-yearly oblations for the dead, and generally all small tithes and offerings at the altar; tithe of the meadow hitherto paid in money; one quarter of wheat and one quarter of barley, pure and clean grain, to be received from the grange of the convent in the town of Wykewane, on S. Martin's day in winter. The convent shall pay to the vicar 60s. yearly, viz., at the feast of the Purification, 20s., at the feast of the Annunciation, 20s., and at the feast of the Holy Trinity, 20s., and shall keep the chancel in repair and provide

¹ (On the fly-leaf:—)

2. Registrum Reuerendi patris domini Willelmi Geynesburgh Episcopi Wigorniensis,
Anno Domini MCCC tercio.

sufficient books in the same. The vicar shall pay the archdeacon for procurations, and also shall pay him half a mark on the feast of the Purification, and shall provide lights, vestments and other necessary ornaments for divine worship in the chancel, with a suitable clerk. The convent and the vicar shall bear all other extraordinary charges which shall be decided to fall to their respective shares. In addition to this ordinance the archdeacon shall have power to correct and punish parishioners and servants of the convent, of whatever condition, for offences in the parish or rectory house, and exercise other archidiaconal functions, notwithstanding any privileges obtained by the convent. The bishop and archdeacon shall have power to compel the convent to observe the present ordinance by ecclesiastical censure and sequestration of their goods, without legal process or notice. Four marks of the profits of the convent are reserved to the bishop for procurations to be paid in the said church every year when the bishop shall happen to visit it. Alvynchirch, 3 Id. Jan., 1303, second year of consecration¹.

1304. To E., archdeacon of Gloucester. To induct the abbot and convent of Bordesley to the church of Wykwane, reserving to the bishop four marks for procurations, and to the perpetual vicar the portion assigned by the bishop. Alvynchirch, 18 Kal. Dec., second year of consecration.

(Folio 1d.²) To the archdeacon of Gloucester. Forbids him to allow Thomas, perpetual vicar of the church of Wikewane, to be troubled before the bishop, if he has provided as clerk a suitable minister in minor orders, and not a deacon who is objected to, as some assert to be the case. Wyk', 10 Kal. Aug., 1304.

Declaration that the bishop adds to his former ordinance concerning the church of Wykewane that the abbot and convent of Bordesley shall pay the synodal fees to the ordinary. Whereas the perpetual vicar of the said church is bound to provide a suitable clerk, and it is found by inquisition taken by the dean of Caumpeden

¹ Ginsborough was consecrated at Rome on the 28th October, 1302

² At the foot of folio 1 is a note that the institution of the vicar of Kydermynstre is entered on folio 38.

at the instance of the parishioners, that from time immemorial it has been customary for the clerk to be a deacon, the bishop adds to his former ordinance that the clerk shall be in deacon's orders unless the parishioners at any future time shall be content with a clerk in minor orders. Alvynechirch, 14 Kal. Aug., 1305.

Process of sentence concerning the position of J., prior of Worcester.

1303. Submission of John¹, prior of the cathedral church of Worcester, to the bishop's ordinance, to be completed before the feast of the Purification next, touching the position of Stephen de Wytton, his fellow-monk, and the prejudice of the bishop's right in the matter of appeals; saving a composition formerly made between William de Bleys, bishop of Worcester, and the chapter, as it has been kept hitherto, and saving the right of his monastery. Sealed with the prior's seal. Alvynechirch, 11 Kal. Jan., 1303.

Renouncement by the convent of appeals from the bishop, to any person, see or court, obtained or to be obtained by them jointly or separately, especially by Gilbert de Maddel' and John de Brymesgrave. Made in the chapter of Worcester, by John de Brymesgrave, monk, one of the proctors of the convent, in presence of the prior and convent, masters W. de Wotton, J. de Rodeberwe, William de Gloucester, Geoffrey de Northwyc, Benet de Feriby, J. Bradewas and J. Caley, notary. The said masters W. and J., the bishop's commissaries, required the said notary to make this a public instrument. 10 Kal. Jan., 1303.

Appointment of masters J. de Rodeberwe and W. de Wotton, as the bishop's commissaries, to pronounce on the article of unlawful entry objected against J. de Wyk', prior of the cathedral church of Worcester, in the bishop's recent visitation. Sealed. Alvynechirch, 11 Kal. Jan., 1303.

Sentence by John de Rodeberwe, clerk, the bishop's commissary, that the entry of the said prior was canonical. Read by the commissary in the monks' chapter, in presence of the prior and convent, masters W. de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, G. de Northwyc, W. de Gloucester, clerks, John Caley and John de Bradewas, notaries public. Sealed with the said commissary's seal. Monday next after the feast of S. Thomas, Apostle, 1303.

¹ John de Wyke.

1304. (Folio 2.) Commission to William de Morton, the bishop's proctor for the church of Helyndon, of the custody of the bishop's manor in London. Alvynechirch, 6 Kal. Jan., 1303 second year of consecration.

Letter to William Le Taverner of London directing him to deliver to the said William the custody of the said manor and household. Same date.

William de Morton, clerk, is appointed proctor for the church of Hyllingdon in the diocese of London, together with William, perpetual vicar of Hilington. 4 Kal. Jan.

Commission to Ralf de Gevelde, of the custody of the manors of Hampton and Stratford and the hundred of Gilpyt, in absence of the steward. Alvynechirch, 7 Id. Jan., 1303, second year of consecration.

Similar commission to the said Ralf de Gaveldale of the custody of the manors of Tredyngton and Blockeleye. Blockeleye, 6 Kal. Feb.

Order to W. de Mortimer and John Randulf, justices, to hold an assise of novel disseisin between Thomas de Pyreton and W. Lucy, concerning a tenement in Bishamton, during this Lent, provided that it be held before Mid-Lent and not protracted beyond it. Blockeleye, 6 Kal. Feb., 1303, second year of consecration.

Order to the prior of S. Peter of Gloucester, and master J. de Rodeberowe, rector of the church of Hertlebur', to hear a matrimonial or divorce case between John Lucas of Gloucester and Clemence de Wydemere of the diocese of Worcester. Wythingdon, 3 Kal. Feb., second year of consecration.

Order to the dean of Wych', to absolve John Colleware and John Banard, clerks, from the sentence of excommunication for violence done in the church of S. Peter of Witton by Wych, to the bishop's ministers and the archdeacon of Worcester, by Richard

Banard whom they assisted; after performance of the following penance. On Sunday next after the feast of the Purification, in the cathedral church of Worcester, they shall offer to the sacristan the arms which they used on the day of the crime, viz., John Colleware a bow of yew (yuyo) with two barbed arrows and a long knife, and John Banard, a sword and a knife. On the following seven Sundays, before the introit of the Mass, to enter with crowns suitable to their condition with tonsure, and in white surplices, the church of S. Peter, where the deed was done, and standing behind the baptismal font, without hoods, holding torches or candles in their hands, after placing two psalters before them on the baptismal font, each of them shall separately recite a nocturn from the psalter after the introit of the Mass to the end. When Mass is finished to offer their torches or candles at the high altar and put off their surplices there. On the four following Sundays similar penance shall be done in the churches of S. Andrew, S. Nicholas, S. John, and Doderhull', and on the sixth and seventh Sundays their penance with two nocturns shall be performed in the said church of S. Peter where they are said to have committed the crime. Wythingdon, 2 Kal. Feb., second year of consecration.

1304. Receipt for John, rector of the church of Ryndecomb', for payment of four of the ten marks in which he was bound to the bishop under the bishop's seal. Wythingdon, Kal. Feb.

(Folio 2*d*.) Order to the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester to exercise the office of the bishop on Wednesday, the first of this Lent, towards those of the diocese, doing public penance, who shall then present themselves at the doors of the said church. Bybyr', 4 Id. Feb., 1303, second year of consecration.

Order to the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester to prohibit J. de Aston, his fellow-monk, who has abused the right of imposing penance as the bishop's deputy penitentiary from exercising this right towards corrupters of nuns and the excommunicate, and also in judicial and other cases in which a special dispensation of the bishop is required. Bybur', 4 Id. Feb., second year of consecration.

1304. Order to the dean of Worcester. The Bishop has heard in his visitation by common report, that certain vicars and priests in the city and suburbs of Worcester, "*non sane sapientes, sed proprie salutis immemores*," hear confessions, without distinction, and give verbal absolution of sins of which absolution is reserved to the bishop; to the prejudice of the episcopal court, the danger of souls and grave scandal. The dean is to prohibit during Mass, on two Sundays and festivals in each parish church of the city and suburbs, all rectors, vicars, and priests from hearing confessions of such sins or laying an absolving hand on such penitents; all such penitents shall have recourse to the bishop's deputy penitentiaries in the cathedral church of Worcester and in the house of the Friars Minors of Worcester, to obtain the benefit of due absolution. Bybur', 4 Id. Feb., second year of consecration.

Order to Richard, warden of the order of Friars Minors, of Gloucester to hear confessions and pronounce absolution, in the archdeaconry of Gloucester, in the cases in which absolution is reserved to the bishop; other than to corrupters of nuns and the excommunicate, and in judicial and other cases in which special episcopal dispensation is required. Bybur', 15 Kal. Mar., second year of consecration.

Order to the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester to absolve his fellow-monks and converts who lately incurred the sentence of excommunication by carrying off documents touching the promotion of the said prior. Horton, 5 Non. Mar., second year of consecration.

Order to the dean of Warwick and the master of the hospital of S. John of the same place to demand from sir John Randulf, knight, and Nicholas de Warr', justices, who will be at Warwick on Monday next after the feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas, the clerks now imprisoned at Worcester awaiting trial, and to keep them in custody that they may be tried in an ecclesiastical court. Horton, 3 Non. Mar., second year of consecration.

Grant of administration of the goods of W. de Sarden, formerly prebendary of Button, to J. de Cook, executor, the will having

been proved before R[obert Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury. Horton, 2 Non. Mar., 1303.

1304. License to Walter de Bercheston, priest, to act as assistant to Walter, rector of the church of Rokehampton, broken down with age and incurable illness, and to prepare an inventory of the rector's goods committed to him, for which he will have to account. Camme, 9 Kal. Maii, 1304, second year of consecration.

(Folio 3.) Order to the dean of Warwick to hear a cause between Nicholas de Kynton and sir Richard de Wodeford, chaplain. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, 9 Kal. Apr., second year of consecration.

Prohibition to the prior and convent of the Holy Sepulchre, of Warwick. Forbidding them to alienate any possessions of the priory, movable or immovable, the alienation of which may cause future injury to the priory, or to let to farm any church without the bishop's special licence, and bidding them revoke the alienations which they are commonly said to have made in evasion of the bishop's recent visitation, the bishop reserving the penance to be inflicted on them for it. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, 9 Kal. Apr., second year of consecration.

Order of Robert [Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury, to the dean of Bristol. The archbishop has found in his visitation of the deanery, that by a custom which might better be called a corruption, rectors, vicars, and parish priests in the municipality of Bristol pertinaciously demand two pence for each child baptized, that pledges therefor are violently taken within the churches; that for probate of wills, accounts of the goods of the deceased, freedom from the charges of administration, and letters of acquittance granted thereon, the ordinaries have been used to extort heavy sums. Inhibits, publicly and strictly, anything being exacted for the sacrament of Baptism, ordering that what the parents, or those bringing the child wish to offer, be devoutly received, under pain of the greater excommunication; also publicly inhibiting ordinaries, under the same pain of excommunication, from making the said extortions, the annoyances of which have hitherto driven

citizens to remote places outside the municipality. The dean is to cause these inhibitions to be solemnly published in each church in the deanery, and shall have announced within the municipality that merchants living in one parish, and having shops in another where they exercise their trade by day, shall observe the recent ordinance of the bishop as to payment of tithes and offerings until the archbishop ordain otherwise; the dean is ordered if requested by the mayor and corporation to make them a copy of this mandate, under his seal. Cynncestr', 15 Kal. Jun., 1303, second year of consecration.

1304. Writ at the suit of Denise, formerly wife of William Le Dayer of Northlete, delivering to the secular power, Walter, rector of the church of Hynnyngton, who has been under the sentence of excommunication for forty days and more. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, 7 Kal. Apr., 1304.

Monition to sir J. Gyffard, knight, patron of the church of Weston under Egge, enjoining him to present to the said church which is vacant, as appears by letters of R[obert Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, Kal. Apr., same year.

Letter to the dean of Caumpeden, directing him to treat the said church as vacant, and to enjoin Godfrey, the incumbent, not to meddle with the church or the profits thereof. Same date.

Dispensation for Thomas de Bibur', acolyte, from illegitimacy, in accordance with the bull of pope Benedict XI.; after inquisition as to his life, morals and conversation. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, Kal. Apr., second year of consecration.

(Folio 3d.) Order to the abbot of Wynchecomb' and Thomas de Berton, rector of the church of Clyve, to audit the accounts of the executors of master Robert de Letch', formerly rector of the church of Marteleye. Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, Kal. Apr., 1304.

1304. Dedication of the chapel of Westreleye. The bishop celebrates Mass, and preaches on the text:—"My house shall be called a house of prayer¹." 16 Kal. Maii, same year.

Acknowledgment by Roger de Cherleton, rector of the church of Pokelchirche and of the chapel of Westreley, annexed to it, John de Frompton, Roger de la Snode, William atte Stote, Roger le Hunte, Thomas de Sthurugg', Adam atte Hulle, William Coppe, John atte Tenne, William Chaynel and John de Nubbelega, parishioners of the said chapel, on behalf of all the parishioners thereof before the bishop, that the parishioners are bound to the rector in 40s., to provide sufficient timber for the construction of a chamber within the rectory enclosure, forty-eight feet long and of proportionate width, with a stone roof, and for the carriage, at their own cost, of the timber and roof; as a gift to the rector and his successors, and in honour of SS. Andrew and James. The bishop orders the parishioners to pay the said money, timber roof and the carriage of the same, before the feast of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist, on pain of excommunication. Sealed with the bishop's seal. 16 Kal. Maii, Thursday next after the Sunday on which is sung the office, *Misericordia Domine*, 1304.

(Folio 4.) Dispensation for William de Nategrave, scholar, from illegitimacy, who was born of single parents; after inquisition by the official of Gloucester. Camme, 9 Kal. Maii, same year.

Dispensation for Adam de Matheme, clerk, from illegitimacy, who was born of single parents; after inquisition by the official of Worcester. Gloucester, 2 Non. Maii, same year.

Dispensation for John, son of Thomas de Luda, scholar, from illegitimacy; after inquisition by the dean of Durseley. Gloucester, 7 Id. Maii, same year.

Writ to deliver to the secular power, William de Connubya of Bristol, who has been under sentence of the greater excommuni-

¹ S. Mark xi. 17.

cation for forty days and more. Bredon, 8 Kal. Jun., 1304, second year of consecration.

1304. Dispensation for Geoffrey, son of Richard de Merston Meysi, deacon, from illegitimacy; after inquisition by the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 6 Kal. Jun., same year.

Commission to the prior of Lanthony and the dean of Gloucester to demand clerks imprisoned at Gloucester from sir J. Randolph, knight, and Nicholas de Warr', on Monday next after the feast of S. Petronilla. Bredon, 2 Kal. Jun.

Commission to B. de Fer[iby] to carry out a visitation of the priory of Beckford. Bredon, Kal. Jun., 1304.

Commission to Thomas de Stratton, clerk, to institute Thomas de Weston, priest, as rector of the church of Weston under Egge, at the presentation of sir John Giffard, knight. Wynchecomb', 8 Id. Jun., 1304.

Commission to J. de Rodeberowe to audit the accounts of the executors of master Robert de Letche, formerly rector of the church of Marteley, all other commissions for this purpose being revoked. Wynchecombe, 8 Id. Jun., 1304.

Dispensation for William de Bagenden, priest, from illegitimacy, after inquisition by the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester; the penance of suspension from the celebration of divine service for a fixed time is imposed on him for having received all holy orders without dispensation. Bredon, 16 Kal. Jul.

Commission to the sacristan of the cathedral church of Worcester and the official of the archdeacon of the same place to hear the causes between the prior and canons of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick, and John de Wytteley of Warwick, Margery Mesuage his wife, and William de Kenelword of the same, called Pylede; in accordance with a papal mandate on behalf of the said prior and canons. Hertlebur', 5 Non. Jul., second year of consecration.

1303. (Folio 4*d*.) Reconciliation by the bishop of the church of Doddeleye, polluted ; for which he receives four marks. 6 Non. Jul., same year.

Commission to W. de Wotton and B. de Fer[iby] to hear all causes which should come before the bishop. Bredon, 12 Kal. Oct., 1303, first year of consecration.

Dispensation for Andrew de Fayrford, priest, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Kemeseye, Non. Jul.

Commission to B. de Fer[iby], clerk, to hear a cause of adultery between R. Peet of Worcester, priest, and Christine la Wytt of Poy, and to remove the said Robert from his benefice if guilty. Kemeseye.

Commission to B. de Fer[iby] and Thomas de Stratton to hear all causes which should come before the bishop. Brockeleye, 17 Kal. Feb., 1303.

Renunciation by Edward Duredent (presented to the church of Great Resindon¹ by sir Walter de L'isle, knight) before the bishop of all his right to the said benefice, in favour of John de Wakerley, presented by the same. At the bishop's chapel of Hampton, 17 Kal. Nov., 1304.

Commission to the deans of Wynchecombe and Stowe to demand Henry Sevar' of Gloucester, clerk, imprisoned at Sloughtre, from William de Brockeworth and others, justices, on Wednesday next before the feast of S. Kenelm, the King. Kemeseye, 7 Id. Jul., 1304.

Commission to B. de Fereby, clerk, to hear a cause of plurality against Ralf de Vasto Prato, who calls himself rector both of the church of Wythindon in the diocese of Worcester and of the church of Bekynton in the diocese of Bath and Wells. Kemeseye, 4 Id. Jul., 1304.

¹ The marginal heading has Little Resindon.

1304. Dispensation for William, son of Simon de Fayrford, acolyte, from illegitimacy Wyk', 11 Kal. Aug.

Prohibition to the prior and convent of Friars Minors of Malvern, who are of the bishop's patronage, against alienating immovables without his special licence, the property of certain religious houses of the diocese having very greatly decreased through this practice. Wyk', 12 Kal. Aug., 1304.

Dispensation for Richard ate Felde, clerk, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Alvynechirch, 8 Kal. Aug., same year.

Commission to B. de Fereby, to examine witnesses produced by Adam, vicar of the church of S. Nicholas, to inquire into the allegation against master John de Rodberwe, the bishop's commissary general, before whom a cause was lately heard between the abbat and convent of S. Augustine of Bristol, and the said Adam. Kemeseye.

Commission issued to J. de Rodberwe, to hear a cause between Simon called Brun of Habbelench' and Ralf Nulph, rector of the chapel of the same place. Alvechirch, 3 Kal. Aug., same year.

(Folio 5.) Commission to the prior of Lanthony and the deans of Gloucester and Wynchecombe, to demand clerks imprisoned at Gloucester, from sir J. de Acton and Nicholas Frembaud, knights, justices, on Tuesday next after the feast of S. James. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Aug., same year.

Commission to John de Fekeham master of the carnaria (charnel-house), and the dean of Worcester, to audit the accounts of the executors of Robert de Cophull'. Alvynechirch, 8 Kal. Aug., 1304.

Grant to Richard de Brokeberwe, of 20s. yearly for term of the bishop's life, for his service, to be paid on the feast of

the Annunciation or within eight days thereof by J. de Stanweya, rector of the church of Fladebur', who is bound to pay the bishop the said yearly sum. Alvynechirch, 6 Kal. Aug., same year.

1304. Bond to Frisett de Monte Claro and Tott', his brother, merchants, for a loan of 77*l.* 5*s.* 10½*d.* to be repaid at the feast of Easter, 1305, in the house of the Friars Minors of London. Alvynechirch, Thursday next after the feast of S. Peter's chains, 1304.

Dispensation for William Hamund of Warwick, clerk, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Hampton, 3 Kal. Sept., same year.

Bond to sir Thomas de Berkeley, the elder, knight, in one hundred marks to be paid at the feast of Easter next, at Berkeley. Hampton-upon-Avon, 5 Id. Sept., 1304, second year of consecration.

Letter to Edward I., asking that the secular power against laymen who have entered the parish church of Weston over Egge, and detained it by force of arms, may be put in force. Hampton-upon-Avon, 18 Kal. Oct., 1304.

Dispensation for William de Lytchirne, clerk, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Hampton, 17 Kal. Oct., same year.

Dispensation for Simon de Berford, clerk, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Hampton, 17 Kal. Oct., same year.

Dispensation for John son of William de Gloucester, clerk, born of single parents, from illegitimacy. Hampton-upon-Avon, 16 Kal. Oct., same year.

1304. Commission to master B. de Feriby, clerk, to audit the accounts of the executors of sir Walter de Beauchamp, knight. Hampton-upon-Avon, 8 Kal. Oct., second year of consecration.

Commission to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester to hear a cause between Simon de Brun and Ralf who calls himself vicar of Habbelenche. Hampton, 5 Kal. Oct., second year of consecration.

Commission to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester to hear a cause between William called Clerk, of Monks' Wotton, and the executors of sir Peter de Leycestre. Hampton-upon-Avon, 8 Id. Oct., second year of consecration.

(Folio 5*d*.) Commission to the dean of Warwick to hear before Christmas next a cause between Absolon de la Guave and his co-executors of the testament of John Aboneton of Folebrok, plaintiffs, and Agnes, widow of the said John, and John Hewe, defendants. Hampton-upon-Avon, 4 Kal. Nov., same year.

Commission to the prior of Lanthony by Gloucester, the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester, and the dean of the same place, to demand from the justices, John Foun of Tuttebur', clerk, imprisoned at Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 11 Kal. Dec., 1304.

Commission to John, called Caleys, clerk, appointing him notary public, under the bull of pope Boniface VIII., given at the Lateran, 8 Kal. Dec., the eighth year of his pontificate, which empowers a bishop to appoint a suitable person and contains the form of the notary's oath. Monks Wotton, 10 Kal. Maii, 1303, first year of consecration.

Letters dimissory for Robert de Codestone, deacon, for ordination as priest by the bishop of Hereford. Hertelbur', 19 Kal. Jan., same year.

(Folio 6.) Admission by the bishop as monks of the cathedral church of Worcester, of Walter de Kereswell, William called Mose of Worcester, Roger de Hornynton, and Alexander de Breerhull,

clerks, and on the following day, of John de Pedewardyn and Richard de Saltford; presented for admittance by John Brevel, monk, in place of the prior. Kal. Jan. at Hertelbur', the prior prays that their entrance may be expedited. Hertlebur', 2 Non. and Non. Jan., 1304¹.

1305. Grant of *inspeximus* and confirmation, at the instance of sir John de Covele, of a licence of R[ichard de Gravesend], bishop of London, given at Foleham, 7 Id. Mar., 1298, the nineteenth year of his pontificate, with consent of G[odfrey Giffard], bishop of Worcester, to Margery de Covele, to hear divine service celebrated by her own priest, in her old age, in an oratory in her manor of Covele within the parish of Hilyngdon, in the dioceses of London, without prejudice to the mother church; if at any time offerings are made in the oratory they shall be delivered to the vicar of the said church. This licence shall continue in force during the lifetime of sir John de Covele, her heir. Hilyngdon, 11 Kal. Febr., 1304, third year of consecration.

Appointment of masters Henry de Luseby and Adam de Kirkeby, clerks, as the bishop's proctors at the Roman court. Hilyngdon by London, 4 Kal. Mar., 1304, third year of consecration.

Commission to the prior, sub-prior, and penitentiary of the church of Worcester, to exercise the office of the bishop on Wednesday the head of this Lent, towards those of the diocese solemnly doing penance in the said church. Hilyngdon, 4 Kal. Mar., 1304.

Commission to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester to institute and induct William de Dersyngton, priest, to the vicarage of the parish church of Astleye, on the bishop's presentation. London, 7 Id. Mar., same year.

Appointment of master Philip de Barton, archdeacon of Surrey, one of the executors of J[ohn de Pontissera], formerly bishop of Winchester, as proctor to administer the will, by the

¹ In the margin, against this entry, is written:—"Fals."

bishop of Worcester and other executors. Hilyngdon, 4 Id. Mar., 1304, third year of consecration.

1305. Letters dimissory for Simon de Halsted, rector of the church of Jerdeleye [Yardley], acolyte, for his ordination as subdeacon by any bishop of the province of Canterbury. Hilyngdon, 3 Id. Mar., same year.

Bond to the creditors of Thomas de Thorp, minister of Ireland, in fourteen marks to be paid at the feast of the Purification, in one or more years as the creditors may need the same. Made in the chamber (*in camera*) and signed by R. Hilyngdon, 17 Kal. Apr., 1304, third year of consecration.

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| Litera missa de curia Romana per magistrum H. de Luceby de discordia cardinalium. | } | Ad vestre dominacionis aliquale solacium hec noua vobis scribo que sequuntur. Dominorum cardinalium status et curie sic se |
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habent, quod ad bipartitam eorum discordiam non solum ciuitas Perusina quo ad maiores suos, sed adiacentes sibi ciuitates et terre parti saltem alteri cardinalium mutuis confederacionibus initis sub nephandis nominibus Gibelynorum et Gelforum adherentes, adeo in emulacione grauiter paciebantur seccioni, quod uersus ciuitatem Perusinam partes sic diuise vi armata se parabant aduersarios sibi intendentes opprimere, et papam facere iuxta votum suum, propter quod populus Perusinus suam et suorum ac ciuitatis et comitatus sui formidans non inmerito ruinam tunc instantem spretis dictis maioribus et diligenti deliberacione prohibitis, die Veneris proxima ante festum Purificacionis beate Virginis condixit et statuit constitutionem fore penitus obseruandam, et post paucos dies si necessitas urgeat, acrius procedendum, ut discooperiatur palacium et paramenta singula ac cooperimenta tollantur, suam super hoc capitaneis suo plenam tribuens potestatem. Cuius pretexto, factis prius ex parte populi eisdem dominis frequentibus monitis precibusque deuotis, ipsi domini cofinos suos et libros et alia statim emisero furorem popularium ac spoliacionum predam quam verisimiliter timere poterunt volentes euitare. (Folio 6d.) quod quidem statutum in tantum execucioni demandatur, quod singule loca per que in palacium quouis patebat aditus necnon ecclesie

cathedralis hostia et fenestre propter sui contiguitatem pro parte muris lapideis et pro parte ligneis firmiter obturantur armatorum multitudine quasi obsidione munita, adeo quod penitenciarum pape pro confessionibus audiendis aliam ecclesiam ingredi opus erat. In ipsa etiam ecclesia cathedrali nec celebrantur diuina, nec campanae pulsantur. Domus etiam vicine palacio per quas cum cordis et funibus solebant in palacium trahi palam et occulte necessaria ad terram prosternuntur. Ligna pro coquinis et cameris et cetera omnia que pro tempore longo sibi prouiderant eiciuntur in momento unde spes est firmissima quod in breui prouidebitur ecclesie de pastore. Data Perusie, vij Idibus Februarii. Hec litera venit ad dominum apud Hilyngdon, Idibus Marcii sero ualde, anno predicto.

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| Letter sent by Master H. de Luceby from the Roman Court as to the quarrels of the Cardinals. | } | As some solace to your highness I send you the following news. |
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The condition of the Curia and Cardinals is such that their division into two parties affects not merely the city of Perugia, as used to be the case, but also the neighbouring cities and places, so that the adherents of each party of the Cardinals, under the unspeakable names of Ghibelines and Guelphs, are divided to such a degree that the parties opposed to Perugia are anxious to put down their adversaries by force, and elect a Pope by their own votes. On this ground the people of Perugia, being, not unreasonably, in dread for themselves and their city, fearing its immediate destruction, on the Friday after the Purification of the Virgin, set aside all advice, decreed and ordered what should be done, and propose shortly to use sterner measures to overawe the palace and take away all aid and assistance, giving to their leaders full authority to carry them out. Acting on this pretext, that everything is done on behalf of the people at the request and advice of their leaders, they sent away certain of the leaders to avoid the popular anger and plunder, which they were very ready to escape. Such being the state of things, every place from which the palace could be approached, both the doors and windows of the Cathedral Church, on account of the nearness to the wall, are blocked up partly with stone walls and partly with wooden, and from the number of the armed guard, the place appears

as if fortified for a siege, so that the Papal Penitentiaries, when they have to hear confessions, are obliged to go to some other church, as in the Cathedral no services are performed, no bells rung. The houses adjoining the palace, from which all necessities used with cords and ropes to be drawn into the palace, have been pulled down. The logs for the kitchens and chambers and all the other stock of necessities, which had been laid in, have been thrown out. So it is to be hoped that in a short time the Church will be provided with a Pastor¹. Dated at Perugia, 7 ides Feb. [1304].

The letter came to the Bishop at Hilingdon very late on the ides of March in the year aforesaid.

1305. Commission to the prior of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick, the master of S. John's hospital and the dean of Christianity of the same place, to demand clerks imprisoned at Warwick from sir P. de Geyton and Roger de Beaufou, justices, on Friday next before Passion Sunday. Hilyngdon, 5 Kal. Apr., 1305.

Here begins anno Domini 1305, and the date is changed.

Bond to Francis of the company called the White Circle (*de circulo albo*), and his companions, Florentine citizens and merchants of the said company, for a loan of 20*l.* received in money on the date of the bond, to be spent in promoting the affairs of the bishop and his church, to be paid at London, at the inn (*hospicio*) of the said Francis and his companions, on the feast of Whitsunday next, 1305. Hilyngdon, 2 Kal. Apr., 1305, third year of consecration.

Bond to William Koumartyn, in one hundred marks to be paid at the feast of S. Peter's Chains, or at the feast of Michelmas next at furthest. Hilyngdon, 2 Kal. Apr., 1305, third year of consecration.

Letters dimissory for John Mile, rector of the church of Haseleya, subdeacon, for his ordination as deacon by any bishop of the province of Canterbury. Hilyngdon, 4 Non. Apr., same year.

¹ This letter describes the state of things on the death of Benedict XI.; he was poisoned at Perugia after a Pontificate of 8 months and 17 days. A long and stormy

contest ensued over the election of the new Pope, who was not chosen till the 7th July, 1304, when Bertrand Gottho, Archbishop of Bordeaux, was elected Clement V.

1305. Letter to John de Staneway, rector of the church of Fladebur', informing him of the appointment of Richard de Brokeberwe, marshal of the bishop's household, to receive in the Bishop's name 20s. yearly, portions of tithes within the parish of Fladebur' sometime belonging to the church of Wikewane, payable to the bishop of Worcester by ordinance of the ordinary. Wythingdon, Thursday next before Palm Sunday, 1305.

Letters dimissory for John called Marshal, of Gloucester, sub-deacon, for his ordination as deacon and priest. Wythingdon, 2 Id. Apr., same year.

1303. Appointment by Pope Benedict¹ of the bishops of Winchester, London and Worcester as conservators of the privileges of the order of Friars Minors of the English province, in accordance with the constitutions of himself and Boniface VIII. S. Peter's, Rome, 4 Non. Apr., first year of pontificate.

(Folio 7.) Appointment by Pope Benedict of the archbishop of York and the bishops of Worcester and Bath and Wells as conservators of the privileges of the order of Friars Preachers of the English province, in accord with the constitutions of himself and Boniface VIII. The Lateran, 6 Id. Mar., first year of pontificate.

1305. Letter from Pope Clement² to the master, prior and brothers of the order of Friars Preachers. In consequence of the persecutions which they have suffered, the Pope declares that those who shall break into their churches or houses shall be excommunicated, to be absolved only by himself or the conservators deputed by him. Perugia, 6 Id. Maii, first year of pontificate [1304].

Letter from W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, to the archdeacon of Shrewsbury, ordering him to cause the privileges of the Friars Preachers to be observed in accordance with the papal authority which he sends. Wythingdon, 18 Kal. Maii, 1305, third year of consecration.

¹ Benedict XI. (1303—1304).

² Clement V. (1305—1314).

1305. Commission to the prior of Lanthony by Gloucester and the dean of Christianity of Gloucester to demand Richard son of Simon Wheuk' of Cheltenham, priest, imprisoned at Gloucester, from sir Nicholas Frembaude and Roger de Beaufou, justices, on Thursday in Easter week. Wythingdon, 13 Kal. Maii, same year.

(Folio 7*d.*) To J. de Rodeberg, clerk. To institute and induct P. de Piriton to the rectory of the church of Overbur', on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester. Wythingdon, 4 Kal. Maii, 1305.

Commission to John Salemon, clerk, to go over the accounts of the bishop's manors. Bredon, 4 Non. Maii, 1305.

Agreement between the convent of Hayles, appearing before the bishop by the abbot, and the priory of the hospital S. John of Lechlade, appearing by John de London, their proctor, on Saturday next before the feast of S. Dunstan, bishop, 1305, concerning petty tithes of nourishment of animals and other things belonging to the convent of Hayles, within the parish of the church of S. Laurence of Lechlade and appropriated to the use of the said priory. After long discussion, the abbot agreed to reinstate the priory in the position of receiving the said tithes after Sunday next before the feast of S. Dunstan, 1305, to deliver to them the possession of the same for the present year, and to permit them to receive them in future; the arrears of the said tithes having been restored by the priory with acquittance as follows:—Walter, prior of the hospital of S. John of Lechlade, and the convent of the same place, acknowledge that they have received of the abbot and convent of Hayles the lordship formerly belonging to the earl of Cornwall within the limits of the parish of their church of S. Laurence of Lechlade, the abbot and convent having and holding petty tithes of nourishment of animals and other petty tithes due to them from the priory, of which the prior and convent assert them to be quit and themselves satisfied, until the next Sunday before the feast of S. Dunstan, 1305, reserving to the priory, henceforth, the possession of petty tithes within the said parish. Given in their chapter at Lechlade, on the said Sunday. The bishop orders the said agreement to be observed. Bredon, Monday next before the feast of S. Dunstan, same year, third year of consecration.

1305. Appointment of Richard de Tregilian, clerk, as the bishop's proctor in the court of Arches and elsewhere. Blockeley, 14 Kal. Jun., same year.

Richard de Bristol, acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Bredon, 10 Kal. Jun., same year.

Letter to R[obert Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury. Appoints master Roger called le Mareschal, clerk, as his proctor for the consecration at Canterbury, of the bishop elect of Winchester¹. Blockley, 15 Kal. Jun., 1305.

Robert [Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury, to King Edward I. Accedes to the King's request that he will not proceed until after the next parliament with the complaint of contempt brought by the dean of Arches against W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, who, notwithstanding the inhibition of the court of Canterbury, has removed the rector of the church of Doderhull. Hampton by Kyngestone, 12 Kal. Jun., 1305. This and the following letter came to Bredon, 9 Kal. Jun., by W. de Thorntoft.

King Edward I. to W[illiam], bishop of Worcester. Commands him to attend the next parliament to give evidence on the matter touching which the archbishop of Canterbury is challenged in the King's court, with which the King will not proceed until the meeting of parliament, that he may hear what has taken place on the same matter in the archbishop's court; as appears by the archbishop's letter which the King sends by his clerk, William de Thorntoft, bearer of these presents. Given under the privy seal, Kenyton, 22 May, 33 Edward I.

(Folio 8.) Grant to Adam de Howdan, the bishop's chamberlain, of 20s. yearly, for his service, for the term of the bishop's life, to be paid by John de Stanweya, rector of the church of Fladebur', on the feast of the Annunciation or within eight days thereof; the said rector being bound to the bishop in the said yearly sum. Bredon, 2 Kal. Jun., 1305, third year of consecration

¹ Henry Woodlock consecrated at Canterbury, 30 May, 1305.

1305. The rector of the church of Jerdele [Yardely], deacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest. Bredon, 2 Id. Jun., same year.

Robert Michel of Wynchecombe, deacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest, notwithstanding a blemish in his eye. Bredon, 18 Kal. Jul., same year.

Thomas Fraunceys of Campeden, acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Kemeseye, 12 Kal. Jul., same year.

Appointment of Stephen de Wytton, monk of the church of Worcester, as sacristan in the said church. Alvynechirch, 12 Kal. Aug., 1305, third year of consecration.

Order to the prior and convent of the church of Worcester to deliver the keys and other things belonging to the office of sacristan, to Stephen de Wytton, their fellow-monk, whom the bishop has appointed sacristan in place of J. de Hareleye. Alvynechirch, same date.

Manumission of Walter, called Hardman, bondman of the bishop in Kemeseye, with his family and goods, at the instance of sir Walter de Kemeseye. Alvechirch, 5 Kal. Aug., same year.

Authority for the dean of Christianity of Worcester, and John, rector of the church of S. Hellen, of the same place, to demand clerks imprisoned at Worcester from sir William Martyn, sir Henry Spigurnel, sir Gilbert de Cnowyle, knights, Roger de Beaufou and Thomas de la Hyde, justices, on Monday next after the feast of the Assumption. Bredon, Id. Aug., 1305.

Richard de Wottone, clerk, has letters dimissory for his ordination as acolyte. Gloucester, 18 Kal. Sept., same year.

To master William de Yrton, canon of the church of Chichester. Cause the privileges of the Friars Minors to be observed in accordance with the papal authority sent herewith. Gloucester, 17 Kal. Sept., 1305, third year of consecration.

1305. A commission to demand clerks, similar to that of Id. Aug., but with addition of the words, "or to be imprisoned on being in any way in danger," after "imprisoned." 16 Kal. Sept.

(Folio 8*d*.) Thomas de la Berwe' of Astlecch' [Eastleach], Gloucester, has letters dimissory for all minor orders. 17 Kal. Sept., same year.

Anselm de Gyses, rector of the church of Slymbrugg, has letters dimissory for his ordination as deacon and priest. 16 Kal. Sept., same year.

John of Lanthony by Gloucester, deacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest. 16 Kal. Sept., same year.

To sir W. Martyn, and others, justices, at Worcester. Deliver clerks imprisoned at Worcester to J. de Feckenham and R. de Beverborn, dean of Christianity of Worcester. Bredon, Tuesday next after the feast of the Assumption.

Appointment of John de Feckenham, rector of the church of S. Hellen of Worcester, and Richard de Beverborn, dean of Worcester, to demand clerks imprisoned at Worcester from sir W. Martyn, and others, justices. Bredon, Tuesday next after the feast of the Assumption.

Thomas le Southerne of Otyndon, acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Hampton-upon-Avon, Kal. Sept., 1305.

John, son of Jordan de Hangin Aston¹, deacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest, and shows title of sufficient patrimony. Blockeleye, 6 Id. Sept., same year.

Authority to Robert de Sutton, rector of the church of Durseleye, to receive from the clergy of the diocese money due to the King from them, as appears by citations directed to the archdeacons or their officials. Blockeleye, 5 Id. Sept., 1305, third year of consecration.

¹ The marginal heading has :—John son of Jordan de Blockeleye.

1305. Letter to the abbot of S. Peter of Gloucester. Accedes to his request that Thomas de Potarne, Henry de Hamme, John de Zaneworye, Philip de Felda, Walter de Kyngeshemed, and John de Bolinghope, monks of his house, deacons, may be ordained priests by the bishop of Hereford. Thame, 4 Id. Sept., same year, third year of consecration.

John de Waleden, rector of the chapel of Barndesl', acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Hilingdon, Id. Sept., same year.

Bartholomew de Coveley, rector of the church of Ebrihton, deacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest. London, 16 Kal. Oct., same year.

Letter to R[obert Winchelsey], archbishop of Canterbury. Appoints J. Caleys, clerk, his proctor, for the consecration of J[ohn Langton], bishop elect of Chichester, to take place at Canterbury on Sunday after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, being himself prevented from being present by the King's urgent and repeated command that he should attend the parliament to be held at London on the octave of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin. London, 16 Kal. Oct., 1305¹.

(Folio 9.) Order to the official of the court of York, the see being vacant, and John de Nassington, rector of the church of Brayton of the same diocese, to cause in the diocese and province of York the privileges of the Friars Preachers to be observed in accordance with the papal authority of which a copy is sent herewith; and to carry out the sentence of greater excommunication already pronounced by the said official against those who, as is notorious in the diocese, have carried off the candles and funeral ornaments of Henry de Haterbergh, chaplain, deceased, who desired to be buried at the house of the Friars Preachers of Scardeburgh [Scarborough]; and to enquire as to the names of the said wrongdoers. London, 5 Kal. Oct., 1305.

¹ In the margin is written:—Nota istam literam pro excusatione episcopi. Langton was consecrated at Canterbury 19 Sept., 1305, by Archbishop Winchelsey.

1305. Bond to sir T. de Berkeley, knight, in fifty marks, to be used in furthering the bishop's affairs in the Roman court; to be repaid at the feast of Easter next if the said affairs are not furthered before that time. London, 3 Non. Oct., 1305¹.

John de Kermerdyn of Gloucester, subdeacon, has letters dimissory for his ordination as deacon and priest. He does not deposit his title in the archives, because he was ordained subdeacon in the time of G[odfrey Giffard], as it is found in the register. London, 3 Non. Oct.

Authority to John de Rodeberowe, rector of the church of Hertlebur', to hear causes in the consistory court until the feast of Christmas next. Hilyngdon, 6 Id. Oct., 1305.

Appointment of R. de Sutton, rector of the church of Duresleye, sequestrator in the diocese. Hylyngdon, 8 Id. Oct., 1305, year of consecration.

Nicholas, called Beaufiz, of Campden, acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. London, 4 Id. Oct., same year.

To master Bartholomew de Covele, deacon. Letters dimissory for his ordination as priest, notwithstanding that he has obtained, canonically as he asserts, the church of Ebrihton in the diocese of Worcester. London, 3 Id. Oct., 1305, third year of consecration.

Authority to the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester and J. de Rordeberg, rector of the church of Hertlebur', to hear accusations on the next lawful day after the feast of S. Luke, in the cathedral church of Worcester, if any accusers appear after public proclamation, against Ralf de Luttreword and Alan Wolney, clerks, accused of robbery. London, Id. Oct., 1305, third year of consecration.

(Folio 9d.) Bond to sir Thomas de Berkeley, lord of Berkeley, in a loan of sixty marks received on the date of the bond, to be repaid in Berkeley castle at Easter next. Westminster, 12 October, 33 Edward I.

¹ This entry is crossed through, and in the margin is written :—Vacat.

1305. John de Budiford in Bristol, acolyte, has letters dimissory for all holy orders. London, 17 Kal. Nov.

Appointment of Thomas de Stratton and Richard de Tregyllion, clerks, as the bishop's proctors in the court of Arches. London, 16 Kal. Nov., 1305.

Appointment of Gilbert Acketoft of Coringham and William de Chf, clerks, as the bishop's proctors general. London, 16 Kal. Nov., 1305.

Appointment of Walter de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, canon of the collegiate church of Westbur', as vicar general, during the bishop's absence at the Roman court on the King's business. London, 16 Kal. Nov., 1305.

(Folio 10.) The bishop of Cork is commissioned to ordain friars of the Orders of Preachers, Minors, and Mount Carmel, and canons of the monastery of S. Augustine of Bristol who shall go to him to receive orders on Holy Saturday next. Bredon, 14 Kal. Apr., same year.

1306. Appointment of Richard de Bykerton as bailiff and keeper of the bishop's court and tenements belonging to the church of Worcester, in the parish of the church of blessed Mary of *la Stroude* by London. Bredon, 5 Apr., fourth year of consecration, 34 Edward I.

Grant to Ingelard de Warley, clerk, at the instance of Edward, prince of Wales, of 100s. yearly, payable at the feasts of Michaelmas and the Annunciation, until he shall be provided with a fitting ecclesiastical benefice. Bredon, 6 Id. Apr., 1306.

Letter under the great seal, delivering to the secular power Adam le Neweman of Camme. Bredon, 15 Kal. Maii, same year.

Commission to master Robert le Blake, rector of the church of Kyderminstre, to hear a matrimonial cause between Isabel

Pagge and John Pagge of Brimesgrave. Bredon, 1 Kal. Maii, same year.

1306. Writ under the great seal to sir William Martyn, sir Gilbert de Knovyle, sir Henry Spigurnel, sir Roger de Beaufou, and sir Thomas de la Hyde, justices, to deliver clerks imprisoned at Worcester to J. de Fekeham, rector of the church of S. Hellen of Worcester, and Richard de Beverborn, dean of the same place. Bredon, 8 Kal. Maii, same year.

To John de Stanweya, rector of the church of Fladebur'. Appointment of Percival called Le Waleys to receive in the bishop's name 20s. yearly, portions of tithes within the parish of Fladebur' sometime belonging to the church of Wykewane. Bredon, 15 Kal. Apr., 1305.

Grant to Percival called Le Waleys of 20s. yearly for his service, to be paid on the feast of the Annunciation or within eight days thereof, by John de Stanweya, rector of the church of Fladebur', who is bound to the bishop in the said yearly sum. Bredon, 15 Kal. Apr., 1305, fourth year of consecration.

Commission to B. de Feriby, Nicholas de Devyses, and Robert de Sutton, clerks, to hear accusations, on Wednesday and Thursday next after the feast of S. Mark, in the cathedral church of Worcester, if any accusers appear, after public proclamation, against Edmund de Bampton, Randolf le Wyte, Robert Giffard, John de Botyngdon, William de Hampton, Roger his brother, John at Ayse and Richard Bacoun, clerks. Bredon, 6 Kal. Maii, 1306, fourth year of consecration.

(Folio 10d.) Letters such as were sent to the justices at Warwick are sent to the justices at Worcester, sir Peter de Mauleye, sir Edmund de Dayncourt, and sir John de L'Isle, knights, to deliver clerks imprisoned to the prior of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick and the dean of Christianity of the same place. Alvynechirch, 6 Non. Maii.

To the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. To hear a matrimonial cause between John, son of John de Pesham, and

Mabel de Ubihale, daughter of Alice of the same, and to proceed therein with all convenient speed. Hertelbury, Non. Maii, 1306, fourth year of consecration.

1306. Commission to John de Rodeberg, rector of the church of Hertlebur' and Benet de Feriby, rector of the church of Brocton, clerks, and the dean of Christianity of Worcester, to hear accusations on Saturday next after the feast of the Ascension, in the cathedral church of Worcester, if accusers should appear, after public proclamation, against Ralf le White, rector of the church of Colesborne, priest, imprisoned for the homicide of Walter de Wotton, accessory to the death of William de Hembur' and reception of Nicholas de Staunton. Hertlebur', 3 Id. Maii, fourth year of consecration.

Writ to the keepers of clerks in the bishop's prison at Worcester to send, under safe keeping, on Saturday next after the feast of the Ascension, Ralf le White, rector of the church of Collesborn, who is in the said prison, to the cathedral church of Worcester, there to appear before J. de Rodeberg, Benet de Feriby, rector of the church of Brocton, clerks, and the dean of Christianity of Worcester, the bishop's commissaries. Hertlebur', 3 Id. Maii, 1306.

To Benet de Feryby, Simon Ravel, clerks, and the dean of Worcester. To hear accusations on Monday next after the feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin, in the cathedral church of Worcester, against Philip de Inceberwe, chaplain, Richard son of Richard de Bathen, cook, Richard de Chilterham, monk of Bruer, Robert de Boclond and William called de Nonnechirch, clerks. Hertlebur', Non. Jun., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Order directing the keepers of the said clerks to deliver them to the said commissaries. Same date.

(Folio 11.) Appointment of Adam de Herwynton and Nicholas de Warr' as the bishop's proctors to compound with the King for the Bishop's service in the war with Scotland to repress the rebellion of Robert de Bruys, for which purpose the King proposes

to be at Carlisle with his army a fortnight after the Nativity of S. John the Baptist next. Hertlebur', 7 Id. Jun., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

1306. William de Thornetoft, rector of the church of Doderhulle, is appointed proctor, for the same purpose. Same date.

To J. de Reddeberg, Benet de Feriby, and Thomas de Stratton, clerks. To hear all causes which should come before the bishop. Wythingdon, 17 Kal. Apr., 1305, fourth year of consecration.

To the abbot and convent of the monastery of S. Peter of Gloucester. License to have the altar erected to the honour of S. Paul, in their monastery, dedicated by any bishop who may visit them. Same date.

1307. To John de Rod[eberg], rector of the church of Hertlebur', the bishop's official. To act as his representative in all things belonging to the office of official in the diocese. Hertilbur', 6 Kal. Jan., 1306, fifth year of consecration.

License to John, rector of the church of Whitynton, clerk, to study for ordination, during the following three years, the order of subdeacon excepted. Bredon, 5 Id. Maii, 1307.

The said John has letters dimissory for his ordination as acolyte and subdeacon. Id. Maii.

Commission to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester, John de Feckenham, Richard de Beverborn and the dean of Worcester, to demand Reginald de Stratton, clerk, and other clerks imprisoned at Worcester from sir William Martyn and sir Roger de Beaufou, justices. Id. Maii.

John, deacon, vicar of the church of Prior's Wotton, has letters dimissory for his ordination as priest. Bredon, 4 Id. Maii, same year.

1307. William, rector of the church of Aston Somervile, acolyte, has letters dimissory for his ordination as subdeacon. Blockeley, 2 Id. Maii, same year.

Warrant to John de Feckenham to hold the bishop's court of Worcester and the courts of his manors of Wyston, Wyke, Kemeseye, Knythuzk (Knightwick), Rypple, Bredon, Fladebur', Hambur', Alvynchirch, Hertlebur' and Aston and of the hundred of Oswaldeslowe, and to protect his liberties in the county of Worcester. Blockeley, Id. Maii, 1307, fifth year of consecration.

Commission to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester, the dean of Worcester, J. de Fek[enham], and Richard de Beverbourn, to demand clerks imprisoned at Worcester from sir W. Martyn and sir Roger de Beaufou, justices. A letter is sent to the said justices directing them to deliver the said clerks. Hilingdon, 8 Kal. Jul., same year.

Authority to J. de Rod[eberg], rector of the church of H[ertelbury], the bishop's official, to act as the bishop's representative during his absence from the diocese. London, 2 Non. Jul., 1307, fifth year of consecration.

(Folio 11*d*.) Commission to the archdeacon of Gloucester and the prior of Lanthony to audit the accounts of the executors of Agatha, formerly wife of Gilbert called Prest of Campeden. London, 4 Non. Jul., same year.

Commission to R[ichard de Swinefeld], bishop of Hereford, to consecrate W. de Herwynton, monk of the monastery of Pershore, and abbot elect of the same. London, 3 Non. Jul., same year.

1303. (Folio 13¹.) Order to the archdeacon of Worcester or his official to induct William le Brette, clerk, to the moiety of the church of Morton Daubeneye, vacant by resignation of Robert de

¹ Folio 12 has been cut out.

Wykws, rector, the bishop having committed the custody thereof until the next ordination to the said William, who has been presented to the said moiety. Horton, 3 Id. Marc., first year of consecration.

1303. To Nicholas le Boteler. Institutes him as rector of the church of Taneworth, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Kenilworth. Horton, 17 Kal. Apr., same year.

To the abbot of the monastery of Bordesleye. Absolves him from the sentence of excommunication which he has incurred by giving contributions to the King, contrary to the constitution of pope Boniface VIII., as whose penitentiary the bishop is acting; on condition that he obeys the Roman Church in the matter, performs the penance which shall be enjoined on him, and abstains from the celebration of divine service and conferring of orders until Palm Sunday. Horton, 17 Kal. Apr., first year of consecration.

William, perpetual vicar of the church of Holendon, is appointed as the bishop's proctor for the rectory of the said church. Horton, 3 Id. Mar., same year.

To ——. To publish the orders to be celebrated by the bishop at Bristol on Saturday next before the feast of the Annunciation. Horton, 3 Id. Mar., same year.

John de Cerneze is instituted to the church of Natgrave, at the presentation of the earl of Warwick, and is ordained sub-deacon. Bristol, Saturday on which is sung the office *Scitientes*.

Bond to Humfrey de Waledon in 80*li.* and 30*s.* for one hundred and four quarters of wheat, two hundred and eight quarters of drag, and two hundred and four quarters of oats in the manors of the bishopric of Worcester, thirty-eight oxen in the manor of Hambury by Wychum, and fifteen oxen in the manor of Knightwyck in the said bishopric, sold to the bishop by the said Humfrey on Saturday next before the feast of the Annunciation, 31 Edward I.; to be paid at Worcester on Sunday next

after the feast of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist next. It is agreed that if a greater number of quarters shall be found in the manors of the bishopric, the bishop shall have them at the following prices:—a quarter of wheat for 4*s.*, a quarter of drag for 2*s.*, a quarter of oats for 18*d.*, straw for the threshing and chaff for the winnowing. Westbiry, the said Saturday, 31 Edward I., first year of consecration.

1307. Peter has letters of induction to the church of Budbrok on the presentation of sir Ralf de Hengham, and is ordained acolyte. Institution is deferred until the next ordination. Saturday on which is sung the office *Scitientes*.

A letter of acquittance is made for 12*l.* delivered to William the marshal, for wine bought by the executors of the bishop's predecessor. Thornbiry, the day of the Annunciation¹.

1303. Geoffrey de Hambiri is appointed by letter as bailiff of the bishop's lands and manors in the county of Worcester, Walter de Beruchorp as bailiff of his manors in the county of Warwick, and of Blockele, Tredinton, Hampton, and Stretford-upon-Avon, and sir Simon Rivel of the lands and manors in the county of Gloucester, with the assistance of John de Fekenham, for the hundred of Oswaldeslowe. Kyngeswode, Wednesday next after the feast of the Annunciation, 1303.

(Folio 13*d.*) The bishop celebrated orders in the church of the Friars Minors at Bristol, on Saturday on which is sung the office *Scitientes*, 1302. The names of those ordained are as follows:—

ACOLYTES.

Br. J. de Tytolneside, monk of Kengeswod.

Richard le Fraunceys.

Adam de Conitone.

Richard de Doursleye.

Richard le Wevur.

Peter de Barton.

Nicholas de Thornbiry.

¹ The Register now goes back to the beginning of the Bishop's Episcopate, 1303.

1303. Walter de Donthton.

Reginald de Kamme.

Br. Miles }
Br. Ralf } of the order of Minors.

SUBDEACONS.

Henry de Dodemerton.

Robert of the same.

Thomas de Clenche, rector of the church of Bridebrok, by the lord bishop of London.

William de Crundewell, rector of the church of Batescombe, by the lord bishop of Salisbury.

John de Brok, rector of the church of Osreword.

Br. W. de Scheldeleye }
Br. Edmund de Lodbrok } of the order of Minors.

John de Cerneye, at the title of the church of Nategrave.

Master William de Gloucester, rector of the church of Haslee.

Br. Robert de Laneste of the order of Carmelites.

Br. Richard de Sifton } of the order of S. Augustine, canon
Br. Roger called Morel } of Bristol.

Br. Giles de Gloucestre, of the order of Preachers.

Walter de Saunford, at the title of the abbot of S. Augustine's, Bristol.

William de Badmington, at the title of Edward de Berneval.

Thomas de Bladynton.

DEACONS.

Master Walter de Stretton, rector of the church of Hatherap.

Br. W. de Alreleye }
Br. Roger de Bonhton } monks of Kengeswod.
Br. Roger de Tettebur' }

Br. Robert de Fonhop, friar minor.

Adam, son of Maurice.

Br. Ralf de Redyng }
Br. J. de Schaldbir' } canons of S. Augustine, Bristol.

Roger Corbyn, at the title of Richard de Brokeberth.

W. de Culva S. Ayluin.

Robert Scot.

John, rector of the church of Colneye Rogeri.

1303.

PRIESTS.

Walter de S. German.

Br. J. de Brestbur', of the order of Carmelites.

Br. J. Snowe, canon of S. Augustine.

John de Almundesburi.

John de Sywardby, rector of the church of Little Subbiry.

Br. W. de Lechelade.

John Benet, chaplain, is instituted to the vicarage of the church of Sandych (?), on the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester. Sunday on which is sung the office *Misericordia Domini*, first year of consecration.

Sale by Richard de Thomere to the bishop, of one hundred and four quarters of wheat in the manors of Fladebur', Newelond, and Alvechirch, two hundred and eight quarters of drag in the manors of Ryppel, Hampton, Paxford, Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, Fladbur', and Tredington, and two hundred and eight quarters of oats in the manors of Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, Hertlebur', Paxford and Hampton, any portion of the said corn wanting from the said manors to be supplied from the other manors of the bishopric; thirty-eight oxen in the manor of Hembur' by Wych, fifteen oxen in the manor of Knyghwyk, forty oxen in the manor of Wystan, eighteen oxen in the manor of Alvechirch, forty-nine oxen in the manor of Bredon, one cart-horse in the manor of Alvechirch, all corn in the manors of Wyk and Knythwyk, both in granges and in granaries, hay in the manors of Wystan, Hertlebur', Alvechirch, Knythwyk, Hembur' by Wych', Fladebur', Bebur', Ryppel, Hampton, Strafford-upon-Alvon, and Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, fodder in the manors of Bebur', Rippel and Hampton, one quarter of oats in the manor of Hertlebur', three quarters six bushels of oats in the manor of Alvechirch, five quarters one bushel of oats in the manor of Knythwyk, and ten quarters of oats in the manor of Hambur' by Wych'; for the price of all of which the bishop is bound to Humfrey de Walyndene. The said Richard also grants to the bishop all wheat, drag and oats which are to be threshed and sold in the manors of the bishopric after the making of these presents, viz., a quarter of wheat for 4s., a quarter of drag for 2s., a quarter of oats for 18d., fodder and chaff for the threshing and winnowing,

reserving from the said fodder to be threshed at the cost of the said Humfrey sufficient food for his oxen while they shall remain in the manors of the bishopric. Hembur', Sunday, eve of the Annunciation, 31 Edward I.

1303. (Folio 14.) Bond to Humfrey de Walyndene in 80*li.* and 30*s.* for one hundred and four quarters of wheat, two hundred and eight quarters of drag, and two hundred and four quarters of oats in the manors of the bishopric, thirty-eight oxen in the manor of Hembur' by Wych, and fifteen oxen in the manor of Knyghtwyk; 91*l.* 12*s.* 3½*d.* for all corn in the manors of Wyk' and Knyghtwyk both in granges and in granaries and for one hundred and seven oxen, viz., forty at Wystan, eighteen at Alvechirch, and forty-nine at Bredon, the price of an ox being 10*s.*, besides one given over and above. Also for one carthorse at Alvechirch, price 3*s.*, for hay at Wystan, 10*s.*, hay at Hertlebur', 16*s.*, one quarter of oats there, price 16*d.*, hay at Alvechirch, price 13*s.* 4*d.*, and three quarters six bushels of oats there, price 5*s.* 7½*d.* Also, for hay at Knyghtwik, 12*s.*, five quarters one bushel of oats there, price 6*s.* 10*d.*, hay at Hembur' by Wich, price 26*s.* 8*d.*, ten quarters of oats there, price 15*s.*, hay at Fladebur', price 40*s.*, hay and fodder at Bebur', price 5*s.*, hay and fodder at Rippel, price 16*s.* Also, hay at Hampton-by-Warwick, price 6*s.* 8*d.*, fodder there, price 18*d.*, hay at Stratford, 6*s.* 8*d.*, and hay at Hembur' in the Salt Marsh, price 20*s.* 8*d.*; sold by the said Humfrey to the bishop, on Saturday next before the feast of the Annunciation, 31 Edward I. The said 173*l.* 2*s.* 3½*d.* are to be paid at Worcester, on Sunday next after the feast of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist next. If a greater number of quarters shall be found in the manors of the bishopric, the bishop shall have them at the following prices:—a quarter of wheat for 4*s.*, a quarter of drag for 2*s.*, a quarter of oats for 18*d.*, straw for the threshing and chaff for the winnowing, reserving from the said fodder to be threshed at the cost of the said Humfrey food for his oxen while they shall remain in the manors of the bishopric. Thornebur', Sunday, eve of the Annunciation, 1302, 31 Edward I., first year of consecration.

Goods in the bishopric of Worcester, bought from Richard de Thomere, for the use of the bishop, of which a bond is to be made:—All corn in the manors of Wyk and Knyghtwik, both in granges

and in granaries, for 28*l.*, one hundred and seven oxen, viz., forty at Wystan, eighteen at Alvechirch, and forty-nine at Bredone, price of an ox, 10*s.*, besides one given over and above; one carthorse at Alvechirch, price 3*s.*, hay at Wystan, price 10*s.*, hay at Hertlebury, price 16*s.*, one quarter of oats there, price 16*d.*, hay at Alvechirch, price 13*s.* 4*d.*, three quarters six bushels of oats there, price 6*s.* 7½*d.*, hay at Knyghwik, 12*s.*, five quarters one bushel of oats there, 6*s.* 10*d.*, hay at Hambury by Wych, 26*s.* 8*d.*, ten quarters of oats there, 15*s.*, hay at Fladebury, 40*s.*, hay and fodder at Bebury, 5*s.*, hay and fodder at Rippel, 16*s.*, hay at Hampton by Warwick, 6*s.* 8*d.*, fodder there, 18*d.*, hay at Stretford, 6*s.* 8*d.*, and hay at Hambury in the Salt Marsh, 26*s.* 8*d.*

1303. Roger de Derhurst, chaplain, is instituted to the church of S. Aldath of Gloucester, at the presentation of the prior of Derhurst, and has letters of induction. Hertelbury, the feast of the Holy Trinity, 1303.

John de Wython, acolyte, has letters of institution and induction to the church of Reyndecombe, at the presentation of the earl of Gloucester. The feast of the Holy Trinity, same year.

John, called Horn, deacon, of London, has letters of institution to the portion of the church of S. Nicholas of Warwick, at the presentation of sir Ralf de Hengham. Same date.

(Folio 14*d.*) The bishop celebrated orders in the parish church of Kydermynstre, on Saturday in Whitsun week, 1303. The names of those ordained are as follows:—

SUBDEACONS.

Br. Roger de Hothcombe.

Richard de Honyngborne, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to this order only.

Walter de Brewode, by letters dimissory, Coventry and Lichfield.

William de Ichington, by letters dimissory of the same, to all orders.

1303. John de Knythcote, by letters dimissory of the same, to all orders.

Ingeram de Lych', by letters dimissory of the same.

Reginald de Weford, by letters dimissory of the same, to the order of subdeacon only.

Henry de Kenemesford, at the title of S. John of Lechelade, to this only.

William de Heyford, at the title of J. lord of Willemecote.

John de Wytenton, at the title of Coventry and Lichfield, to the order of subdeacon only.

William de Kynesbur', at the title of patrimony ; to the order of subdeacon only.

Richard de Astebur', by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield ; to this only.

Henry de Rydeware, by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield ; to the order of subdeacon only.

John de Benygesword, at the title of J. de Compton.

Roger de Blomynhil, by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield.

Adam de Langberg', at the title of patrimony, attested Her' de Drayton, at the title of Ralf Basset.

John de Halton Courly, at the title of the hospital of Grafton.

William de Byrmyngnam, by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield ; to all orders.

William de Bolney, at the title of patrimony, attested ; in Yerdeleye, as he says ¹.

Br. Richard Morice of the priory of S. Thomas by Stafford, by letters dimissory.

Robert de la Hethe, at the presentation of the prior of Worcester.

John de Kynemersford, at the title of the master of the hospital of Lychelade ; to the order of subdeacon only.

Peter de Stanes, rector of the church of Sutton.

Philip de Alecetre, at the title of the house of the Holy Sepulchre ; to all orders.

Geoffrey de Bruges, by letters dimissory of the official of the

¹ Against this entry is written :—Queratus de isto.

dean of the chapel royal of the same ; to the order of subdeacon only.

1303. Walter de Kynemersford, at the title of patrimony.

Henry de Schirley, by letters dismissory of the Archbishop of York.

Alexander de Besford of Pershore, at the title of patrimony.

DEACONS.

William de Leone, rector of the church of Rokeby.

Hugh Sterre, by letters dismissory of the same.

Henry de Cerney, at the title of patrimony, by testimonial of the prior of Worcester.

Walter de Wyk', at the title of a chantry in the church of Hatfeld ; to this only.

John Flour of Blokeley, at the title of patrimony, attested.

William de Dydebrok, at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Bradewey, at the title of the abbot of Leicester¹.

Henry de Langberch, at the title of the prior of S. Fredeswyde of Oxford.

John de Langberch, at the title of H., rector of the church of the same.

Thomas de Langberch, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Robert Toyte at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Compton ate Wynzhatt, at the title of patrimony.

William de Merston Meysi, at the title of religion, of Cricklad ; to the diaconate only.

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| Simon de Walton Maudit', at the title of W. rector of Stretton | } to all orders. |
| Simon de Rydeware, by letters dismissory Coventry and Lichfield | |

Nicholas son of Ralf de Nothul of Grafton, at the presentation of the hospital of Grafton.

Robert de Barton Ennemersh, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Nicholas Tebaud, by letters dismissory Coventry and Lichfield ; to the order of deacon only.

¹ After this entry is written n^l (= *nihil*?).

1303. Nicholas Pope of Todeham, at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Brok', rector of the church of Oselword.

Richard de Weston
John of Little Compton } by the lord bishop.

William Lew, at the presentation of the vicar of Brimmes'[field].

Nicholas de Throkemerton, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Henry le Spicer of Wyrcestre, at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Turkedene, at sufficient title, proved.

Thomas de Ilmyndon, at sufficient title, proved.

John de Staunton, at the title of patrimony, proved.

Richard de Heselow, at the title of patrimony, proved [by] letters of the archbishop; to all orders.

Robert de Kenemesford, by letters dimissory of G[odfrey Giffard] the bishop's predecessor.

John de Bodeley, at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Staunton, at the title of patrimony, attested.

William de Mukelton, at the title of patrimony, attested¹.

William Havedakre, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Robert de Pershore, at sufficient title, proved.

John Bernard of Stretford-upon-Avon.

Richard de Amondevile.

Peter de Lenche, at the testimonial of the prior of Worcester.

Richard de Chaddesley.

William de Dagelyngword.

Robert of Great Combton.

Ralf de Nonenton.

Roger de Bodeleye.

John de Chaveryngword.

Oliver de Edyngton.

Walter of Little Rysingdon.

Thomas Bassett
Nicholas Loucok } Warwick.

John de Gremhull.

Robert de S. John, by testimonial of the prior of Worcester only.

Thomas de Ilmyndon.

Philip de Twenyng.

¹ After this entry is written :—flm c.

1303. Walter de Dombelton.

Thomas de Percyvale.

Richard de Grimmeley.

Richard of Little Wirmenton.

Robert de Bissebur'.

Richard de Dombelton.

William de Belne.

Henry de Lockesley.

Gilbert of the same.

J. de Chelham, rector of the church of Colde Newton

Henry de Quenton.

William de Wykewane.

John Bernarde.

Gerard Durenassal, rector of the church of Spnore.

William de Weston.

Robert Tollepayn.

(Folio 15.)

PRIESTS.

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| William de Notyngham, sacris- | } at the testimonial of the prior of Great Malvern. |
| tan of Lichfield | |
| John le Waleys of Lichfield | |

Richard de Lych, by letters dimissory of the same.

William de Berton, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Robert de Blockeley, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Nigel de Herdewyk.

Geoffrey de Welleford, at the title of patrimony, attested.

John de Merston Meysi, at the title of patrimony, attested.

William le Draper, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Richard de Benyngword, at the title of the abbot of Evesham.

Philip de Alweston, at the title of J. de Stanway.

Nicholas Toly, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Richard of Great Compton, at the title of Master J. of the same.

John de Haselyngdene, by letters dimissory Lichfield and
Coventry.

Roger, rector of the chapel of Eyton, by letters dimissory
Lichfield and Coventry.

Hugh de Eppewelle, rector of the church of Brynkelowe.

John Crompte of Ombersley, at the title of religion.

1303. Roger de Aston, rector of the church of Weston-upon-Trent, by letters dimissory Lichfield and Coventry.

Robert le Tayllour, by letters of the official of Buckingham.

Walter de Quenyngton, at the presentation of the Lord.

Henry Bertelmeu, rector of the church of Barlebursh, by letters dimissory Lichfield and Coventry.

Master Walter, rector of the church of Hatherop.

Adam, son of Maurice de Bristoll.

Robert de Lyndeword, at the presentation of the precentor of Worcester.

John de Suthcerney, at a title proved.

Richard de Wynricke, at sufficient title.

William de Pokechirche, at sufficient title.

Andrew de Fayreford, at the title of patrimony.

Hugh de Kemeston, at letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Robert de Compton, at the title of the abbot of Bittlesdene.

David de Pershore, at the title of 40s. of rent.

John de Kenemersford, at the title of patrimony, attested.

Henry de Henle, at sufficient [title].

John Fraunseys, at sufficient [title].

John de Lega, rector of the church of Dalbury, by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield.

Walter, rector of the church of Stretton-upon-Fesse.

John le Dispenser of Oumbersleye.

Alan de Tamword, by letters dimissory Coventry and Lichfield.

John, rector of the church of Colne Roger.

William de Stoure, at the title of the official of Worcester.

William de Waresley.

John Walenz, at the testimonial of the prior of Malvern.

Thomas Tangkard, rector of the church of Preston Bagot.

Walter, rector of the church of Stretton.

Thomas, rector of the church of Preston.

Drogo, rector of the church of Pyrinton.

1303. John de Stanway, clerk, is collated to the church of Fladebury, vacant by the death of Nicholas de Woddeford, late rector, the collation belonging to the bishop. By his institution

to the said church, he resigns the church of Rippil, of which he was rector. Bermyngham, 5 Kal. Jun.

1303. Master Walter de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, has a grant *in commendam* of the church of Rippil vacant by the resignation, on 5 Kal. Jun., of J. de Stanway, rector, the collation belonging to the bishop; for six months, in accordance with the last council of Lyons. He has letters of induction. Kemeseye, 6 Id. Jun.

Writ to the bishop to cause Simon Prewes, parson of the church of Tettebur', clerk, to appear before the justices at York, on the octave of S. John the Baptist, to answer to John de Bloxham, in a plea of debt of 10*l.*, arrears of a yearly rent of 100*s.* Witness, W. de Bereford. York, 16 February, 31 Edward I. This writ came to the bishop on Saturday in Whitsun week, on which day the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester was directed to execute the same.

Writ to the bishop to cause Simon de Prewes, parson of the church of Tettebur', clerk, to appear before the justices at York, on the octave of S. John the Baptist, to answer to John de Bloxam, in a plea of debt of forty marks. Witness, W. de Bereford. York, 16 February, 31 Edward I. This writ came to the bishop on the same day as the preceding one, and execution was directed as above.

Writ to the bishop. Forbids him to admit a parson to the church of Neewenton-upon-Coteswald, vacant and said to be in the King's gift, the advowson of which is in dispute in the King's court, between the King, the bishop, the prior of Little Malvern, Henry de Newton and J. de Fekenham, keeper of the charnel-house of Worcester. Witness, the King. Chalfonte, 10 February, 31 Edward I.

(Folio 15*7l.*) Roger de See is instituted to the vicarage of Stoke Giffard, vacant by the resignation of William de Kempeleye, the collation belonging to the bishop, and has letters of collation and induction. 18 Kal. Jul.

1303. Richard, called de Parys, acolyte, is admitted to the church of Torteworth, at the presentation of sir Nicholas de Kynggeston, knight, and has letters of institution and induction to the official of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, Id. Jul.

To the dean of Warwick. Publish the sentence of excommunication against master W., called de Caunvyle, rector of the church of Hewe. Alvynechirch, 3 Kal. Aug.

The said master W. receives absolution and has a letter to the dean; the penance to be inflicted on him is reserved. Alvynechirch, Non. Aug.

Master Thurstan de Hamslep is admitted to the church of Hampton Lovet, at the presentation of sir Peter le Blund, and has letters of institution and induction to the official of Worcester. Alvynechirch, 8 Id. Aug.

William Bret, acolyte, is admitted to a moiety of the church of Morton Daubeneye, and has letters of induction and institution. Kemeseye, 2 Id. Jun.

To the official of the Archdeacon of Worcester and the dean of Persore. Publish the sentence of excommunication during the solemnities of the Mass, with bells tolled, candles lighted and extinguishd, and Cross elevated, in every church in your districts, especially in the church of Bredon and neighbouring churches, against those who, as appears by the complaint of Walter, rector of the church of Bredon, have broken into his church, prevented the dean from holding a chapter there, appointed a new official and apparitors, and assaulted his ministers and clerks in the church and churchyard; and enquire into the names of the wrongdoers before the feast of S. Hilary next¹. Alvynechirch, 7 Id. Dec., 1303, second year of consecration.

(Folio 16.) Bond by the bishop and brother J. de Bekyngham to sir Ely Russel, citizen of London, in 94*l*. 16*s*. 8*d*. for things

¹ Three lines of writing in continuation of this entry are erased.

bought and delivered to the bishop from the day of the Purification, 1302, until his enthronement, particulars being contained in three schedules under sir Ely's seal, in the bishop's wardrobe; to be paid within two months of demand. Kemsey, 18 Kal. Jul.

1303. Commission to the dean of Worcester and John de Fekenham, rector of the church of S. Hellen of Worcester, to demand from the justices, John de Haveryng, clerk, imprisoned at Worcester. Fladebury, 5 Kal. Jul., first year of consecration.

Writ to the bishop to levy from the ecclesiastical goods of the prior of Brymifeld and Midelton, 22*l.* owed by him to the King, and to send the same to the exchequer at York, on the morrow of S. Margaret; a similar writ returnable on the octave of the Holy Trinity having been ignored. Witness, W. de Carleton. York, 12 June, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Fladebury, 4 Kal. Jul.

Writ to the bishop to levy the said 22*l.*, the sheriff of Gloucester having certified the exchequer at York, on the morrow of the close of Easter last past, that the prior of Brymifeld has no lay fee from which he can levy, and to send the same to the exchequer at York, on the octave of the Holy Trinity. Witness, J. de L'isle. York, 1 May, 31 Edward I.

Return by Bishop to the two preceding writs.—The ecclesiastical goods of the said prior, consisting of two oxen, price one mark, and hay, price half a mark, have been sequestered, that the debt may be levied from these and any other goods which may be found after the following autumn. Alvynechirch, 2 Id. Jul., 1303¹.

Appointment by Walter de Berton, rector of the church of Bredon, executor of the testament of Godfrey [Giffard], late bishop of Worcester, of John de Sloughtre as his proctor in matters concerning the said testament. Bredon, Monday next after the commemoration of S. Paul, 1303.

¹ In the register this and the entry as to W. de Berton are transposed, with the mark *θ* against them to connect it with the entries of the two writs.

1303. (Folio 16d.)

Indulgentia pro Rege. { Frater W[illelmus], permissione diuina,
 Wygorniensis Episcopus, dilectis in
 Christo filiis archidiaconis Wygorniensi et Gloucestriensi uel eorum
 officialibus, salutem, gratiam et benedictionem. Gens Scotorum,
 sue fidelitatis oblita, pacis emula sediciosa in proximum, pro ratione
 voluntatem amplectens, futura nescia premetiri, sepius se agitans
 in furorem, fines regni Anglie hostili inpetu repente aggressa, et
 de die in diem interiores partes eiusdem hostiliter ingressa, nos-
 tratum sanguinem innocentem quos reperit sine delectu sexus, con-
 ditionis aut gradus fundit et effundit, agros depopulatur, villas et
 opida depredatur, et quod tollere nequid igne consumit, Ecclesias
 monasteria et alia pia loca post ablacionem ornamentorum sacrorum
 vasorum et ceterum rerum incendit inhumaniter sicut relacio publica
 illinc veniencium communiter protestatur, et quod magis est timen-
 dum ipsum solum regni quod calcat in abissum forsitan dissipatura
 si posset. Quamobrem, dominus noster dominus Edwardus Dei
 gracia Rex Anglie illustris, de tante cladis euentu tam subito et
 inuasionem surgente nimirum conturbatus, pro reprimenda versucia
 dicte gentis et vtilitate rei publice ad partes illas cum exercitu suo
 direxit nuperime gressus suos, Nos attendentes ipsum in tam magno
 periculo constitutum, cui exposuit se et suos, plus devotorum ora-
 cionibus quam de militum aciebus, plus de diuina virtutis assistentis
 quam de sua potencia indigere, vobis mandamus firmiter iniungentes
 quatinus vos preces deuotas apud altissimum effundentes, ipsum
 cum sibi adherentibus in ecclesia nostra cathedrali Wygorniense et
 in singulis ecclesiis archidiaconatum vestrorum conuentualibus ex-
 emptis et non exemptis et parochialibus in fine singulorum sermonum
 faciendis et singulis processionibus iuxta morem solitum et ea
 occasione deuosius et libencius faciendis oracionibus astancium sin-
 ceriter et specialiter commendare faciatis, nec non in singulis paro-
 chialibus ecclesiis, singulis diebus dominicis, finita missa quando
 parochiani exorantibus capellanis secundum consuetudinem locorum
 ad oracionum suffragia excitantur, pro ipso et concomitantibus sibi
 ut in presenti negocio quod incumbit: Deus et Dominus noster
 sic iuuat et dirigat actus suos, quod ipso cooperante labor suis et
 suorum pro repulso huiusmodi emulorum nostrorum in tantum
 haberi valeat fructuosos, quod cedat ad Dei laudem, gloriam et
 honorem regni et ecclesie Anglicane ac incolarum eiusdem statum

prosperum et quietum possitque ex hoc toti regno tranquillitatis optate gaudium prouenire, orari specialiter faciatis sub hac forma:— Deus in nomine tuo saluum me fac, etc. cum gloria Patri, etc. Kyriel, etc. Pater noster. Et ne nos, etc. Domine saluum fac regem, mitte ei auxilium, etc. Domine Deus virtutum conuerte nos. Ostende nobis, Domine, etc. Dominus vobiscum, etc. Oremus, Deus in te sperantium fortitudo et certantium victoria gloriosa adesto propicius inuocationibus nostris et presta ut rex noster ea sola que maiestati tue placita sunt prouida mente disponas, et opere strenue sequatur, teque operante et potenter regente que suscepit regenda ad finem prosperum et felicem perducatur effectum per Christum, etc. Vt igitur ad huiusmodi orationum suffragia allecuius indulgentiarum muneribus mentes fidelium excitemus, de Dei omnipotentis misericordia beate Virginis Marie beatorum Francisci Wulstani et Oswaldi confessorum et omnium sanctorum meritis confidentes, omnibus parochianis nostris, et aliis quorum dyocesani hanc nostram indulgentiam ratam habuerint, vere contritis de peccatorum suorum maculis et confessis, qui pro premissis orationem dominicam cum salutacione angelica dixerint mente pia xl. dies de iniuncta sibi penitencia misericorditer relaxamus. Valete. Data apud, etc. Fladbur' iiij Kalendas Julii, anno Domini m^occc^o tercio, consecracionis nostre primo.

Indulgence on the } Brother William, by divine permission Bishop
King's account } of Worcester, to our beloved sons in Christ
the Archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester or their officials
greeting.

The Scotch nation, regardless of its allegiance, forgetful of peace, seditious to its neighbours, taking its own will for reason heedless of the future, has once more risen in madness, suddenly making an armed attack on the English borders, and daily laying waste the adjoining parts of the country, shedding any innocent blood it may find without regard to sex, rank, or condition, wasting the country, plundering the houses and towns, burning everything it cannot carry away, and moreover, as the general report of those coming from there state, recklessly burning churches, monasteries, and other holy places after having plundered them of their ornaments, sacred vessels, and other property, and what is even worse, wasting, as far as possible, the very land of the realm. On account

of this our Master our sovereign Lord Edward, by the grace of God the renowned King of England, greatly moved by such slaughter and by the sudden invasion, in order to repress the insolence of the aforesaid race and for the public weal, has lately marched with his army to these places. We considering that he and those with him will in so great a danger be more in need of the prayers of the faithful than of the swords of the soldiers, and will obtain more from the divine aid than from his own strength, expressly order and command you to offer up your earnest prayers to the Most High for the King and his army both in our Cathedral Church at Worcester and in every church in your archdeaconries, whether conventual (and that whether they are exempt or non-exempt), or parochial, and that at the end of every sermon Procession shall be made according to usual custom, and that the prayers of the congregation be then devoutly and freely offered up. And further that you expressly and specially order that in all parish churches on each Sunday at the end of Mass, when the parishioners are charged by the clergy [capellani], according to the custom of the place, to offer up these special prayers, they are also ordered to make prayers for him and those with him in the present expedition as long as may be necessary, so that our Lord God may so direct and govern their acts that by his aid the task of the King and his army in repulsing our enemies may be so effectively performed that it may result in the praise of God, the glory and honour of the kingdom and Church of England, the prosperity and peace of the people. And further that this blessing of peace may be enjoyed by the whole kingdom, We order that you use the following special form of prayer:—

O God, save me for thy name's sake, &c., with the Glory to the Father, &c., Lord have mercy upon us. Our Father . . . lead us not, &c. O Lord save the King and ever more mightily defend him, &c. Send us help, O Lord God. Shew us, O Lord, &c. The Lord be with you, &c. Let us pray. O God, the strength of those who trust in thee, and the glorious victory of those who fight, mercifully give ear unto our prayers, and grant that our King may only dispose his mind to do such things as are pleasing to thee, and in deed earnestly pursue the same, that thou directing and powerfully governing whatever he may undertake as Governor, he may bring it to a successful end and a happy issue. Through Christ, &c.

And in order to induce the minds of the faithful by the attractive gifts of indulgence to offer up their prayers in this behalf, We out of the mercy of Almighty God, trusting in the merits of the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed confessors, Francis, Wulstan and Oswald, and of all saints, grant to all who are under our jurisdiction and to others whose diocesan Bishops shall have confirmed this our indulgence, that if they being truly repentant for the stain of their sins, and having confessed them, shall devoutly say on behalf of the aforesaid matters the Lord's Prayer and the Ave Maria, we release them from forty days of whatever penance has been enjoined upon them. Given at Fladbury the 4th day of July, 1303, the first of our consecration.

1303. Certificate that Thoms de Wychio, chaplain, stated on oath before the bishop, that he himself, about twenty-four years ago, celebrated a marriage between sir William de Montchensey and lady Amy, widow of sir J. de Hull, in the church of Hull Crombe, which he then served as parish priest, and that he has never said or preached publicly, to the prejudice of sir Hugh de Veer and Denise his wife, that the said marriage was never celebrated, as he is falsely said to have done by evil-speakers. Witnesses:—R[ichard de Swinefeld], bishop of Hereford, J[ohn de Monmouth], bishop of Landaff, the abbot of Westminster, the abbot of Evesham, the abbot of Wynchecombe, the abbot of Oseney, the abbot de Tewkebur', the abbot of S. Augustine of Bristoll', the prior of Worcester, the prior of Kenilworth, the prior of Derhurst, the dean of Hereford, master William du Boys, master W. de Kengestok, sir Thomas de Berkeleye, sir John de la Mare, sir John de Wyl', sir Thomas de Gardin', sir Thomas de la Mare, sir Henry de Ponbr', sir Symon le Chaumberleyn, sir Nicholas de Wydemale, Knights of the preceptories of Guting and Bellsale, James Russel, R. de Buclescombe and Symon de Kenggesh', laymen. Worcester, 5 Id. Jun., 1303.

(Folio 17.)

Testamentum Godefridi Giffard, quondam

Episcopi Wigorniensis.

In nomine sancte et indiuidue Trinitatis, Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, amen. Ego, Godefridus Giffard, permissione diuina, ecclesie Wygorniensis, minister, animo testamentum condendi sane

mentis existens, illud ordino et facio in hunc modum. In primis, commendo animam meam Deo qui ipsam creauit ex nichilo et in fine temporum resuscitabit per sui misericordiam et glorificabit cum carne. Et protestor me in fide catholica velle dies meos fatales finire, nec ab articulis fidei nec a religione Christiana, seu professione quam in baptismo sum professus in vita vel in morte velle recedere quoquomodo. Corpus vero meum ordino sepeliendum in ecclesia cathedrali Wygorniensi in qua de misericordia Dei omnipotentis confisus curam Episcopalem accepi ac gessi ad tempus. Et rogo caritatiue ac moneo in Jhesu Cristo priorem Wygornie, qui pro tempore sepulture mei preerit ecclesie supradicte necnon et confratrum ipsius monasterii venerandum collegium, vt corpus meum sepeliant in tumulo quod iuxta magnum altare a parte dextra in eodem monasterio iuxta mee voluntatis arbitrium situatur. Volo, autem, quod idem prior et totus conuentus loci ipsius, fratres eciam minores ac pauperes fratres hospitalium sancti Wlstani et sancti Oswaldi, necnon et sanctimoniales abbe de Wyston ciuitatis Wygornie ac omnes et singuli dicta die sepulture mee confluentes ibidem iuxta discrecionem executorum meorum in esculentis et poculentis ac aliis necessariis decencius procurentur. De famulariibus.—Volo, eciam, quod omnes in speciali michi seruicio adherentes dum vixeram et moram post sepulturam meam facientes in villa Wygornie, quamdiu executores mei ibidem fuerint, meis sumptibus, vt premittitur, sustententur et quod antequam recedant ad propria vel alibi quo voluerint sibi quod eis legatur apertius exprimatur et certus terminus iuxta discrecionem executorum meorum similiter prefigatur, et locus vbi et quando sua legata recipere valeant absque tedii dispendio longioris. Et volo quod omnes pauperes die sepulture mee pro elemosina recipienda aduenientes ibidem, quilibet eorum habeat vnum denarium vel valorem eiusdem ad minus, et quod quilibet monachus dicti monasterii Wygornie habeat in crastino post funus meum traditum sepulture duos solidos sterlingorum, si executores mei tantam pecuniam tunc promptam ad manum habuerint, et si non, certus dies non prolixus immo proximus et vicinus assignetur eisdem ad pecuniam recipiendam predictam, ita quod quilibet eorum de dicta pecunia faciat prout libuerit et honestati conuenit absque sui reclamacione prioris. Et ad ista complenda, *c/l.* libr' sterlingorum assigno vel *cc.* marcas si *c/l.* libr' non sufficiant ad predicta. Et quia prefata legata sunt corporis mei

funeralia vel quasi, volo quod pre ceteris et hoc quam cito comode fieri poterit premissa omnia solide compleantur. Hiis autem sic iuxta voluntatem meam completis, volo quod omnia debita mea quibuscumque creditoribus meis ad plenum solvantur. De Archiepiscopo Cantuariensi.—Item, do, lego domino Cantuariensi archiepiscopo qui pro tempore fuerit anulum capelle mee cum leone circumuallatum smaragdinibus qui semper suis successoribus archiepiscopis remaneat, et vnum iocale precii decem marcarum. De episcopo Londoniensi.—Item, domino Londoniensi episcopo vnum anulum cum secundis melioribus et episcopalibus cirotecis. Et volo quod quilibet episcopus Cantuariensis prouincie habeat vnum anulum sibi decentem de meis dum durent, et si non sufficiant emanantur ad perficiendum quod eis legatur nullus tamen sit minoris precii quam l. uel xl. solidorum. De domino Rege.—Item, do, lego domino Regi Anglie vnam cuppam precii x. marcarum et anulum vnum cum preciosiori rubeto quem habeo. Teneor autem, domino Regi in x/l. quas sibi de bonis meis volo persolui ad plenum. De terra sancta.—Et quia signaculum Sancte Crucis recepi iam est diu in voluntate mittendi vnum militem bellatorem in subsidium terre sancte ad generale passagium Anglicorum, volo quod alicui probo homini dentur l/l. de bonis meis pro me ad dictam peregrinationem faciendam. De ecclesia cathedrali.—Item, do, lego ecclesie cathedrali Wygorniensi meliorem mitram quam habeo et quam aliquando habui de dono germani mei, quondam Eboracensis archiepiscopi, vna cum amita stola et manipulo de preciosissimis margaritis secte eiusdem. Et restituantur omnino ecclesie antedictae omnia et singula vestimenta et alia que per manus sacriste loci eiusdem in prima creacione mea recepi. Do, lego, insuper, dicte ecclesie Wygorniensi ciphum meum aureum ad vnum calicem faciendum, et xl. solidos ad fabricandum eundem. Et vnum vestimentum integrum preciosius quod habeo ad deseruiendum pro loco et tempore maiori altari et duas capas chori auro contextas quasi vnius secte, in ornamentum ecclesie antedictae. Et omnia ornamenta mea de albo diaspero vna cum alba et amita mea de serico ac stola et manipulo eiusdem secte, do, lego et assigno ad deseruiendum altari capelle Virginis gloriose in ecclesia supradicta. De carnaria.—Item, do, lego et assigno vnum vestimentum integrum tercium preciosius quod habeo, carnarie Wygornie. Item, assigno altari Sancte Crucis in maiori ecclesia

cathedrali vestimentum quod habui de dono domine Mabilie Giffard abbatisse de Schaftebury, sororis mee, cum paruris sericis plenis scutis et cum stola et manipulo eiusdem secte, et vnam casulam de rubeo samito quam habui de dono dicti germani mei archiepiscopi, et duas fiolas meas argenteas de mea capella. De residuis autem vestimentis meis superius non legatis, ordinent executores mei in pios vsus vbi magis crediderint Domino complacere. De monialibus Wygornie.—Volo, tamen, quod specialiter prouideatur de illis vestimentis residuis maiori altari ecclesie abbarum monialium de Wyston, ad honorem beate Marie Magdalene in cuius nomine consecratur, et quod moniales ibidem Deo seruientes centum solidos habeant in pecunia numerata nomine legati. De priori Wygornie.—Item, do, lego priori ecclesie cathedralis Wygorniensis, qui tempore mortis mee prefuerit in eadem, cuppam vnam precii c. solidorum et iustam vnam argenteam ad vinum cum potto vno argenteo ad aquam, et sint de melioribus iuxta discrecionem executorum meorum, et volo quod illa transeant ad successores suos quamdiu durent. De N. de Norton.—Item, do, lego fratri N. sacriste Wygornie, qui modo est si plus me viuat, vnum ciphum precii xl. solidorum. Item, domino J. de Wylinton vnum ciphum precii c. solidorum. De Willelmo Giffard.—Item, do, lego Willelmo Giffard, meo germano, tres carucas boum in villa de Boyton. Alia, autem, mobilia ibidem omnia et singula et in aliis maneriis, tam mee hereditatis quam episcopatus, quocumque nomine censeantur, inuenta, preter ornamenta in capella de Boyton, vendantur omnino ad vltimam voluntatem plenius adimplendam. Item, do, lego eidem domino Willelmo, fratri meo, anulum capelle mee cum rubeto et smaragdine (Folio 17*d*.) gimellatum, eo quod archiepiscopus Eboracensis, meus germanus predictus, eundem michi tanquam suo heredi et successoribus meis, iure hereditario, michi succedentibus legauit vna cum quinque anulis veteribus et preciosis qui penes me resident in vno laqueo serico colligati, qui fuerunt antecessorum patrimonii mei et non ecclesie Wygorniensis, et similiter quatuor cornua de bugle apud Boyton existencia ad bibendum, vna cum quodam cornu habente pedem argenteum deauratum, quod in mea custodia residet in forma predicta. De P. de Chautent.—Item, do, lego domino Petro de Chautent ciphum vnum precii centum solidorum. Item, domine Agneti Giffard, nepti mee, moniali de Wilton, xx. solidos. De abbatisa Shaft'.—Item, domine Mabilie Giffard, ab-

batisse de Shaftesbury, sorori mee, xij. scutella argentea cum totidem salsariis, ita quod in vsus successorum suarum in illo monasterio, quamdiu durent, remaneant, cum vno pottu seu pichero argenteo ad vinum et alio pottu ad aquam et habeat pomum de ambra. Item, domine Margarete Aucher, nepti me de Shaftesbury, xl. solidos. De J. de Ebroycis.—Item magistro J. de Ebroycis nepti meo, do, lego mitram vnam de margaritis quasi per totum inuelatam que fuit dicti germani mei, archiepiscopi, et vnum anulum precii l. vel xl. solidorum, necnon et Bibliam meam minorem. De domino H. Aucher.—Item, do, lego domino Henrico Aucher, militi, nepoti meo, xli. cum lorica vna et caligis ferreis et coopertorio ad equum vnum, et volo quod habeat electionem preceteris premissorum. Item, do, lego domino Hugoni de Escote tantundem per omnia, excepta electione. Item, do, lego domino Alexandro de Friuille xli. loricam vnam cum caligis ferreis et coopertorio ad vnum equum et meliorem equum quem voluerit eligere de carectariis meis. Item, Johanni Giffard, nepoti meo x. marcas. Item, Ricardo Aucher, nepos meus, habeat x. marcas et vnam loricam cum caligis ferreis et coopertorio ad vnum equum, nomine legati, cum vno equo de carectariis meis secundo meliori. Volo etiam quod Ricardus de Babinton habeat x. marcas et equum vnum iuxta ordinacionem executorum meorum. De Margaret Giffard.—Item, do, lego domine Margarete de Neuville, vxori quondam domini Johannis Giffard, nepti mee, ciphum vnum centum solidorum et vnum fermaculum aureum, vel anulum aureum, precii lx. solidorum. Item, Isabelle, domicelle sue, xl. solidos. Item, domine Agneti de Chauent, ciphum vnum, precii centum solidorum, et vnum anulum l. uel xl. solidorum, et vnum pannum aureum. Item, domine Johanne de Wellinton, vnum ciphum, precii centum solidorum. Item, domine Sibille de Acton, nepti mee, vnum ciphum precii centum solidorum et pottum vnum argenteum ad vinum et alium pottum ad aquam, et melius fermaculum aureum quod habeo exceptis prelegatis. De Katerina Giffard.—Item, domine Katerine, vxori domini W. fratris mei, vnum ciphum meliorem quem habeo post legata superius, et pottum vnum ad vnum et alium ad aquam. De M. de Crombe.—Item, vxori domini Simonis de Crombe, nepti mee, vnum pottum argenteum et ciphum de argento, cum xls. Item, domine Sibille de Boderyngham, nepti mee, vnum ciphum argenteum, precii c. solidorum. Et viro suo, vnum anulum, precii

xls. Item, domine Johanne, vxori domini Hugonis de Escote, vnum fermaculum aureum et zonam vnam, precii quinque marcarum. Item, domine Johanne, vxori domini Alexandri de Friuille, zonam vnam et fermaculum aureum, precii predicti. De clericis commensalibus.—Item, do, lego cuilibet de clericis meis commensalibus vnum pannum sericum. Item, do, lego domino Thome de Wyche-ford ciphum vnum, precii c. solidorum. De armigeris.—Item, do, lego cuilibet armigerorum meorum, que me in aliqua linea consanguinitatis non attingunt, c. solidos. Et volo quod Simon Sauage pyncerna meus, qui diu stetit in seruicio meo, habeat xx. marcas. Item, do lego xx*½*. Galfrido de Hembury, balliuo meo, pro suo diutino seruicio mecum habito. De valletis officii.—Et volo quod quilibet seruiens in coquina aliquid habeat secundum suorum exigenciam meritorum. Balliui, autem, terrarum mearum respiciantur satis decenter pro seruicio suo ad arbitrium executorum meorum. Item, Nicholao, camerario meo, lectum meum vna cum vna roba mea integra ad opus vxoris eius. Item, do, lego Roberto Cissori, camerario meo, xl. solidos. Item, do, lego Roberto, braciatori, quinque marcas. Et Andree, hostiario aule, xls. Item, Thome, vigili, xl. solidos. Et omnibus aliis valletis de officio xx. solidos. De clericis capelle.—Item, do, lego cuilibet clericorum meorum de capella, qui de beneficio ecclesiastico non sit prouisus xl. solidos. Et volo quod omnes carectarii et palefridarii mei et custodes someriorum meorum respiciantur decenter, secundum discrecionem executorum meorum et moram diutinam quam mecum fecerunt. Item, do, lego monialibus de Stodeleya iuxta Oxoniam vnum pannum sericum. De fratribus minoribus.—Item, fratribus minoribus Wygornie c. solidos. Et fratri Edmundo de Mandeuyle eiusdem ordinis xl. solidos. Item, pauperibus fratribus hospitalis sancti Wlstani Wygornie xl. solidos. Et hospitali sancti Oswaldi, loci eiusdem, xx. solidos. Item, fratribus predicatoribus Gloucestric xl. solidos. Et fratribus minoribus, loci eiusdem, tantundem. Item, fratribus de Monte Carmeli, loci eiusdem, j. marcam. Item, hospitali sancti Bartholomei, loci eiusdem Gloucestric, j. marcam. Item, fratribus minoribus Bristollie xl. solidos. Et fratribus predicatoribus ibidem xl. solidos. Et fratribus de Monte Carmeli ibidem j. marcam. Et fratribus de Saccis ibidem dimidiam marcam. Item, predicatoribus Warr[ewyk] xls. De executoribus.—Item, volo quod quilibet executorum meorum habeat vnum iocale precii

c. solidorum et aliquam platam argenteam in mei memoriam specialem et pottum vnum, si sufficient. Et si aliquis legatariorum mcorum premoriatur, cxtinguantur sibi legata et aliis cedant legatariis, vel pauperibus erogentur, iuxta discrccionem executorum meorum. Ad hanc autem meam vltimam voluntatem complendam assigno executoribus meis omnia bona mea vbicumque inuenta et eciam omnia debita que michi a quocumque debentur. Assigno, eciam, ad idem faciendum omnes libros meos cuiuscumque fuerint facultatis et in manibus quonuncumque existant, nisi aliter me superstitute ordinauero de eisdem, quod intendo facere, Domino disponente. Et ad premissa omnia et singula solide facienda (Folio 18) si facultas affuerit et similiter defalcanda si necessitas id exposcat ordino, facio et constituo per presentes meos executores, videlicet, dominum Walterum de Berton, rectorem ecclesie de Bredon, magistrum Johannem de Rodeberge, rectorem ecclesie de Hertelbury, dominum Bartholomeum de Deuyses, Johannem de Staneway, rectorem ecclesie de Rippil, et Galfridum de Hembury. Quod si aliquis vel aliqui executorum istorum recusent vel recuset administracionem huiusmodi execucionis admittere, seu eciam premoriatur vel premoriantur, tunc statim liceat aliis executoribus loco recusantis vel recusancium, defuncti seu defunctorum executorum istorum alium seu alios ad hoc ydoneos, quocienscumque et quandomcumque voluerint, substituere, ponere et assignare ac subrogare, eorum propria auctoritate sine assensu querendo alicuius ordinarii prout in suis conscienciis melius viderint expedirc. Executoribus, autem, predictis in remissionem peccatorum suorum iniungo quod predictum laborem non recusent subire, quos volo de bonis meis procurari decenter quocienscumque eos circa predicta legata contigerit laborare. Datum apud Kemeseyam iuxta Wygorniam, Idibus Septembris, Anno Domini m^occc^o primo. Presentibus testibus infrascriptis, videlicet, magistro Alexandro de Bourlyngham, dominis Thoma de Pershora, Johanne de Hauke, Willelmo de eadem, Johanne de Acton, non fuit presens, Willelmo de Burton, clerico elemosinaric mee, et aliis ad hoc vocatis, vna cum magistro Roberto de Sotton, clerico.

1303. Will of Godfrey Giffard, late Bishop of Worcester.

In the name of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen. I, Godfrey Giffard, by divine permission

minister of the Church of Worcester, being desirous of making my will, and being of sound mind, do ordain and make it as follows. In the first place I commend my soul to God who created it from nothing, and at the end of time will by His mercy restore it and glorify it with my body. And I declare that I desire to end my last days in the Catholic faith, not departing from the articles of faith, nor the Christian religion, nor the profession which I made in Baptism in any way either in life or in death. I direct my body to be buried in the Cathedral Church of Worcester, of which by the mercy of the Omnipotent God I was entrusted with the Episcopal charge, which I accepted and have held until now. And I ask for love's sake, and I exhort in Jesus Christ, that whoever may at the time of my funeral be the Prior and preside over the aforesaid Church and the worshipful body of brothers of that monastery, that they bury my body in the tomb which is situated alongside the High altar on the right hand in the same monastery according to the expression of my wish. I also desire that the same prior and all the convent of that place, and also the Friars Minor and the poor brethren of the hospitals of St. Wolstan and St. Oswald, and also the White nuns of Whiston, in the City of Worcester, and each and every of them shall assemble on the day of my burial and be provided according to the discretion of my executors with eatables and drinkables and other fitting necessities. *As to my servants.*—I also desire that all who have belonged to me in domestic service during my life and remain after my burial in the City of Worcester, as long as my executors are there, with their permission, shall be maintained at my expense until they go home or elsewhere; and what is bequeathed to them shall be paid at a fixed time and place to be appointed at the discretion of my executors, when and where they can receive their legacies without long delay. *And I desire* that all poor on the day of my burial coming to it shall each receive one penny or its value, and that each monk of the aforesaid monastery of Worcester shall have two shillings sterling if my executors have sufficient money in hand, and if not, that a day not far off shall be appointed for them to receive the aforesaid money, so that each of them shall do as he likes and thinks right with the said money, without any claim by his Prior; and to carry out this I bequeath £100 sterling or 200 marcs, if £100 shall not be sufficient. And

because the aforesaid legacies are part of the funeral expenses of my body, I desire that they shall be paid as soon as possible, everything else being put aside until they are completed; and on this being done in accordance with my will, I desire that all my debts to all my creditors be paid in full. *As to the Archbishop of Canterbury.*—I give and bequeath to the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury for the time being the ring of my chapel with a lion surrounded with emeralds, which shall always remain with his successors the archbishops, and one jewel of the value of 10 marcs. *As to the Bishop of London.*—Item, to the Lord Bishop of London, one ring with my second best episcopal gloves. And I direct that each Bishop of the Province of Canterbury shall have out of my stock a fitting ring, and if there shall not be sufficient, that rings shall be bought for them, and none of the rings shall be of a less value than 50 or 40 shillings. *As to my Lord the King.*—Item, I give and bequeath to my Lord the King of England one cup of the value of 10 marcs, and one ring with the most valuable ruby which I possess. I am bound to my Lord the King in 40*li.*; I desire it also be paid in full out of my estate. *As to the Holy Land.*—Because I have received the sign of the Holy Cross, and it has long been in my mind to send one warrior knight in aid of the Holy Land at the general expedition of the English, I desire that there shall be given to any good man out of my goods who shall make the said expedition for me £50. *As to the Cathedral Church.*—I give and bequeath to the Cathedral Church of Worcester my best mitre, which I sometime had as the gift of my brother, formerly Archbishop of York, together with the amice, stole, and fanon of very precious pearls of the same suit; and there are to be restored to the said Church all and singular vestments and other things which I received at the hands of the sacristan of the same place on my consecration. I give and bequeath to the said Church of Worcester my golden cup to make a chalice, and 40 shillings for making it, and one entire precious vestment I have, to be used there at the time and place for the high altar, and two choir copes, woven with gold, as of one suit, for the ornament of the said Church. And all my ornaments of white diaper, with my albe, amice of silk, and my stole and fanon of the same suit, I give, leave and bequeath to serve at the Altar of the Chapel of the Glorious Virgin in the said Church. *As to the Carnary.*—I give, bequeath, and assign one entire

set of vestments, the third most valuable I have, to the Carnary of Worcester. I assign to the Altar of the Holy Cross in the greater Cathedral Church the vestment which I had of the gift of the Lady Mabel Giffard, Abbess of Shaftesbury, my sister, with silk apparel full of shields, and with the stole and fanon of the same suit, and a chasuble of red samite which I had of my said brother, the Archbishop, and the two silver cruets of my chapel. As to the rest of my vestments not above bequeathed I direct my Executors to bestow them in pious use in the way they consider most pleasing to God. *As to the Worcester Nuns.*—I direct a special provision be made out of the residue of my said vestments for the high Altar of the Church of the White Nuns of Wynton, to the honour of the Blessed Mary Magdalen in whose name it is dedicated, and that the nuns there serving God shall have as a legacy 100 shillings in cash. *As to the Prior of Worcester.*—I give and bequeath to the Prior of the Cathedral Church of Worcester who at the time of my death shall be over the same, a cup of the value of 100 shillings, and one silver pot for wine, and one silver pot for water, and that they be of the best, according to the discretion of my executors; and I desire that they should go to his successors as long as they last. *As to N. de Norton.*—I give and bequeath to Brother N., sacrist of Worcester, should he survive me, one cup of the value of 40 shillings. Item, to J. de Wylinton one cup of the value of 100 shillings. *As to William Giffard.*—I give and bequeath to my brother William Giffard three yoke of oxen in the vill of Boyton. All my other movables there or in other Manors, whether my private property or as Bishop under whatever title they may be, except the ornaments of the Chapel of Boyton, I direct to be sold so as more fully to carry out my will. Item, I give and bequeath to the Lord William, my brother, a gimmel ring of my chapel, with a ruby and an emerald, which the Archbishop of York, my said brother, left me and my successors as his heir by hereditary right, with 5 old and precious rings which are fastened up in one silken bag, and were the property of my forefathers and not of the Church of Worcester, and also four bugle horns at Boyton for drinking, together with a certain horn having a silver gilt foot, which remain in my custody, as above said. *As to P. de Chauent.*—I give and bequeath to Peter de Chauent one cup of the value of 100 shillings. Item, to the Lady Agnes Giffard,

my niece, a nun of Wilton, 20 shillings. *As to the Abbess of Shaftesbury.*—Item, to the Lady Mabel Giffard, Abbess of Shaftesbury, my sister, 12 silver dishes, with the same number of saltcellars, to remain for the use of her successors in that house as long as they last, with one silver pot or pitcher for wine and another pot or pitcher for water. Item, to the Lady Margaret Aucher, my niece of Shaftesbury, 40 shillings. *As to John of Evereux.*—Item, to Master John of Evereux, my nephew, I give and bequeath one mitre of pearls which belonged to my said brother the Archbishop, and a ring of the value of 50 or 40 shillings, and also my lesser Bible. *As to the Lord H. Aucher.*—I give and bequeath to Sir Henry Aucher, Knight, my nephew, £10, with a breastplate and iron footgear, and a trapping for one horse, and I will he have his choice of the foregoing. Item, I give and bequeath to Hugo de Escote the same in all respects except in the choice. Item, I give and bequeath to Alexander de Friuille £10, a breastplate with iron footgear, and a trapping for one horse, and the best horse he likes to choose out of my cart horses. Item, to John Giffard, my nephew, 10 marcs. Item, to Richard Aucher, my nephew, 10 marcs, a breastplate and iron footgear, and the furniture for one horse as a legacy, with one horse, the second best of my cart horses. I also devise that Richard de Babinton have 10 marcs and one horse, according to the direction of my executors. *As to Margaret Giffard.*—Item, I give and devise to the Lady Margaret de Neville, wife of the late Lord John Giffard, my nephew, one bowl of the value of 100 shillings and one golden brooch or a gold ring of the value of 60 shillings. Item, to Isabelle, her maid, 40 shillings. Item, to the Lady Agnes de Chaunt one cup of the value of 100 shillings and one ring of 50 or 40 shillings and one golden cloth. Item, to John de Wellinton one cup of the value of 100 shillings. Item, to the Lady Sibilla de Acton, my niece, one cup of the value of 100 shillings, and one silver pot for wine, and another pot for water, and the best gold brooch that I have, except those specifically bequeathed. *As to Katharine Giffard.*—Item, to the Lady Katharine, the wife of William, my brother, the best cup I have after the above mentioned legacies, and a pot for wine, and another for water. *As to M. de Crombe.*—Item, to the wife of Simon de Crombe, my nephew, one silver pot and a cup of silver, with 40 shillings. Item, to the Lady Sibilla de Boderyngham, my niece, one silver cup of the

value of 100 shillings, and to her husband a ring of the value of 40 shillings. Item, to the Lady Joan, wife of the Lord Hugo de Escote, one golden brooch and one girdle of the value of 5 marcs. Item, to the Lady Joan, wife of Alexander de Friuille, one girdle and a golden brooch of the price aforesaid. *Of the Clerks who live with me.*—I give and bequeath to each of my clerks who live in my house one silken cloth. Item, I give and bequeath to Thomas de Wycheford one cup of the value of 100 shillings. *As to my esquires.*—Item, I give and bequeath to each of my esquires who are not related to me 100 shillings, and I will that Simon Savage, my butler, who has been long in my service, shall have 20 marcs. Item, I give and bequeath £20 to Walter de Hembury, my bailiff, for the long service he has rendered me. *As to the household servants.*—I will that each of the servants in my kitchen shall have a remuneration according to his deserts. The bailiffs of my lands shall have for the same a remuneration according to their deserts at the judgment of my executors. Item, Nicholas, my chamberlain, shall have my bed, together with one entire robe of mine for the use of his wife. Item, I give and bequeath to Robert the tailor, my chamberlain, 40 shillings. Item, I give and bequeath to Robert the brewer, 40 shillings, and to Andrew, the hall porter, 40 shillings. Item, to Thomas the watchman, 40 shillings. And to all the other household servants, 20 shillings. *As to the Clerks of the Chapel.*—I give and bequeath to each of my Clerks of the Chapel who have not been provided with an ecclesiastical benefice, 40 shillings. And I will that all my carters, palfrey men, and keepers of my sumpters shall be properly cared for according to the discretion of my executors and the length of time they have been in my service. Item, I give and bequeath to the nuns of Stodeley, near Oxford, one silk cloth. *As to the Minorites.*—I give to the friars minors of Worcester 100 shillings, and to friar Edmund de Mandevyle of the same order, 40 shillings. Item, to the poor brothers of the Hospital of St. Wlstan at Worcester, 40 shillings. To the Hospital of St. Oswald at the same place, 20 shillings. Item, to the friars preachers of Gloucester, 40 shillings. To the minorites of the same place the same. To the friars of Mount Carmel of the same place, 1 marc. To the hospital of St. Bartholomew of the same place, Gloucester, 1 marc. To the friars minors of Bristol, 40 shillings. To the friars preachers

of the same place, 40 shillings. To the friars of Mount Carmel of the same place, 1 marc. To the friars of the Sack there, half a marc. To the (friars) preachers of Warwick, 40 shillings. *As to executors.*—I will that each of my executors have a jewel of the value of 100 shillings, and a silver plate in special memory of me, and a pot if there are enough. And if any of my legatees predecease me, his legacy lapses, and goes to the other legatees or to the poor, at the discretion of my executors. And in order to carry out this my last will, I bequeath to my executors all my goods wherever they may be found, and also all the debts which any one whatever owes me. I also bequeath for the same purpose all my books in whosoever possession or power they may be, unless I otherwise appoint in my lifetime, which I purpose, God willing, to do. And for all matters aforesaid to be done if the estate is sufficient, and to be abated if it appears necessary, I ordain, make, and appoint by these presents as my executors, Walter de Berton, Rector of the Church of Bredon, Master John de Rodeberg, Rector of the Church of Hartlebury, Master Bartholomew de Devyses, John de Staneway, Rector of the Church of Ripple, and Walter de Hembury. And if any one or more of these executors refuse, or shall refuse to undertake the administration of the office, or has died, or shall die before me, then it shall be lawful for the other executors of their own authority to appoint another or others in the place of the dead, or refusing, executor or executors, whensoever and in whatever way shall seem to them fit, without obtaining the assent of any ordinary, as in their consciences may seem to them best to be done. And I implore my aforesaid executors for the remission of their sins that they refuse not to undertake the aforesaid work. And I desire that out of my goods they shall endeavour that each article shall be properly applied to satisfy the aforesaid legacies. Given at Kempsey, near Worcester, the Ides of September, 1301, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses: Master Alexander de Bourlyngham, Thomas of Pershore, John de Haucke, William of the same, John de Acton was not present, William de Burton, clerk, my almoner, and others assembled for the purpose, with Master Robert de Sotton, clerk.

1303. (Folio 18.) Bull of Pope Boniface VIII.¹, declaring the privileges of the abbot and convent of S. Augustine of Canterbury, which is exempt from jurisdiction of the ordinary. On appeal by the archbishop², and the chapter of Christ Church, Canterbury, who alleged that the abbots of Westminster, Waltham, and S. Edmund's, conservators of the said privileges, had exceeded their powers, it is declared that the convent of S. Augustine shall only present to those churches in the city and diocese of Canterbury of which they hold the patronage, the archbishop having institution, deprivation, and other spiritualities as far as usual rights permit; the convent shall have the spiritualities in churches appropriated to their own use, the archbishop spiritualities in the other churches in the patronage in which they claim and exercise jurisdiction. The provision as to persons living in churches and chapels is referred to the monks and convent. The customary honour shall be shown to the archbishop by churches in the jurisdiction of the said convent by ringing the bells when he passes through the city and diocese, and by yearly processions of the clergy and people to Christ Church. The Lateran, 14 Kal. Apr., ninth year of pontificate [1303].

(Folio 18*4*.) Attestation by John son of John de Haselarton, clerk, of the diocese of York, public notary, that he has copied and published the said bull.

Letter from the dean of Arches, commissary-general of the official of the court of Canterbury, to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Cite the bishop to appear in the court of Arches on the third law-day after the feast of S. James, to assist the proctor of Walter, late rector of the church of Northpydel, in a cause depending between the said rector and the prior and convent of Stodleye, concerning the possession of tithes of lands and goods of the hospital in Northpydel. The said Walter, since the cause began, has entered the religious of the Friars Preachers, and is still in the year of probation, and the bishop has assigned a portion of the profits of the said church to a parson who shall serve the same during the said year. London, 3 Non. Jul., 1303. This letter came to Alvynchirch, 15 Kal. Aug., the same year.

¹ 1294—1303.

² Robert Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

1303. Writ to the bishop. Sequester the ecclesiastical goods of Ralf de Bulmere, clerk, one of the assessors and collectors of the eleventh and seventh in the county of Warwick, who has died without having rendered his account of the said tax. Send account of the goods sequestered to the exchequer at York in fifteen days from the festival of Holy Trinity. Witness, P. de Wylughby, in place of the treasurer. York, 8 May, 31 Edward I. This writ came to the bishop, 16 Kal. Aug., by the hand of sir J. de Stanewey, who had kept it so long that no return could be made to it¹.

(Folio 19.) Writ to Thomas de Gardinio, sheriff of Gloucestershire, and to the bailiff of Derham. Summon before Palm Sunday, W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, to appear before the King in fifteen days from Easter Day, to answer in a plea of *Quare impedit* concerning the church of Newenton-upon-Coteswold, which is in the King's presentation by reason of the vacancy of the bishopric of Worcester. Not dated.

Writ distraining W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, by all his serfs in his manor of Clyve for 60s., in respect of one and a half knight's fee in his said manor, granted for the marriage of the King's eldest daughter², half of which ought to have been paid at the feast of S. Peter in the Chair, 31 Edward I., and half at the feast of Easter following.

Writ to the bishop to produce before the King, in the octave of S. Michael, William de Dene, Peter de Bodmyn, chaplain, John de Turnay, chaplain, John Hommyng, chaplain, John de la Heggehome, clerk, and Henry de Craundon, clerk, to answer to Reymund Frunband for an assault made on him by night at Bristol, the sheriff of Gloucester having returned fifteen days from Easter that the said men were the bishop's clerks, and had no lay fee by which he could attach them. Witness, R. le Brabazoun. York, 27 April, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Id. Aug., 1303.

¹ See *post*, p. 66.

² Eleanor with Henry of Bar : they were married 1303.

1303. Similar writ concerning an assault made by the same on Aylmer de L'Isle at Bristol. York, 26 April, 31 Edward I. This writ came on 3 Id. Aug.

Return to the same :—The said William Dene and others are cited to appear as above said.

Writ to the bishop to levy and send to the exchequer at York, on the morrow of S. Michael, 6*l.* 12*s.* of the ecclesiastical goods of the Prior of Wotton, with 10*l.* of the ecclesiastical goods of the priors of Brimifeld and Middelton which the bishop had already sequestered to the value of 20*s.*, as appeared by his return made on the morrow of S. Margaret last past ; being part of a debt of 24*l.* 10*s.* which the said priors owe to the King with other debts. Witness, J. de L'Isle. York, 27 July, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Alvynchirch, 2 Id. Aug., the same year.

Return :—The ecclesiastical goods of the prior of Wotton, to the value of 6*l.* 12*s.*, have been sequestered in order that the sum may be levied as quickly as possible. Eight marks, 11*s.* 4*d.*, have been levied of the ecclesiastical goods of the prior of Brymesfeld and are sent by the present bearers. No more can be levied this time.

(Folio 19*d.*) Writ to the bishop to levy 31*l.* of the ecclesiastical goods of John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredyngton, and send the same to the justices at York on the octave of S. Michael, to be delivered to Thomas de Sutham and Ralf de Lycestre, being part of 44*l.* recovered by them against the said John before the justices at York, as appears from an inquest held before W. de Bereford at Sticheford Bridge, in the county of Worcester. Witness, R. de Hengham¹. York, 6 July, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Hampton, 17 Kal. Sept., the same year².

Return :—The ecclesiastical goods of the said John have been sequestered, and are kept closely until buyers can be found³.

¹ Ralf de Hengham had been Archdeacon of Worcester from 1287—1288. See Giffard Reg. IX.

² See *post*, p. 78.

³ In the MS. this return is added at the head of the folio, immediately before the entry to which it relates.

1303. Writ to the bishop to produce before the justices at York, in three weeks from Michaelmas, Henry le Heyr of Hampton, clerk, to answer to Robert le Bround of Snytenefeld in a plea of debt ten marks, the sheriff of Warwick having returned that the said Henry had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 12 May, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Hampton, 16 Kal. Sept., the same year.

Return :—The said Henry is enjoined to appear as above said.

Appointment by the bishop of brother Gilbert de Maddeley as sacristan of the cathedral church of Worcester. Hampton, 5 Kal. Sept., first year of pontificate.

Letter to the prior and convent of Worcester notifying the appointment of brother Gilbert de Maddeley as sacristan of their church, notwithstanding his late resignation of the said office. Hampton, 5 Kal. Sept., first year of pontificate¹.

Order to the dean of the parish church of Stratford to enforce on Agnes, wife of Richard de Kynton, convicted of adultery and perjury, having lived for ten years and more with Henry de Hatton, subdeacon, and born five children in adultery, and, by her notorious misdeeds caused great and long-continued scandal among the people, the following penance, that she with her hair down, wearing only a long shift, shall be flogged by the said dean on each of the next nine Sundays, before the procession in the parish church of Stratford, and attired as above on the next nine market-days, in the middle of the market-place, at the hour when the people most congregate, she shall receive nine strokes with a birch from the dean, he following her in surplice and stole. Finally, she is to be led to church and, kneeling before the Cross, humbly receive discipline from the dean or his substitute. The dean compelling her, under pain of ecclesiastical censure, to endure the said penance unless her true contrition and humility induce the bishop to deal more gently with her. Hampton, 2 Kal. Sept., first year of consecration.

(Folio 20.) Order to the dean of the parish church of Stratford to inflict the following penance on Henry de Hatton,

¹ See *post*, p. 80.

subdeacon, for his adultery with the aforesaid Agnes, wife of Richard de Kynton. That he stand with crown and tonsure fitted for the estate of subdeacon, in a white surplice, holding a lighted candle of two pounds of wax, in the parish church of Stratford on each of the next seven Sundays, the psalter placed before him on the baptismal font, he singing devoutly one nocturn, from the introit of the Mass to the end. Thirteen of the poor of the parish, men and women on alternate Sundays, shall stand by him and pitifully beseech the Lord for him, when Mass is over; only as much of his goods as shall fitly maintain them for the day shall be given to them. And, since his reformation must be effected not only by prayers and alms but also by fasting and abstinence, he shall fast for a year, on Tuesdays and Thursdays on bread, soup and beer, and on Fridays on bread and water, abstaining from fish, flesh and all that has its origin in flesh. As the said Henry was convicted because he failed to appear before the bishop's commissaries, he shall be compelled, by ecclesiastical censure, to do similar penance in the parish church of Hampton, in which parish he and the said Agnes committed the said crime; unless his deserts shall obtain a mitigation from the bishop. Not dated.

1303. Notice to the prior and chapter of the cathedral church of Worcester. Prepare for a visitation on Thursday next after the feast of S. Matthew the apostle, and give notice of this before the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross next, Hampton, 3 Non. Sept., first year of consecration.

Notice to the archdeacon of Worcester or his official of a visitation to be begun in the cathedral church of Worcester before the feast of S. Matthew next, and to be continued throughout the archdeaconry; give notice of this before the said feast. 3 Non. Sept., first year of consecration.

(Folio 20*d*.) Writ to the bishop to produce Peter de Puryton, clerk, before the justices at York in the octave of S. Michael, to answer to William, son of William Peres of Wroxhale, for that he, together with John de Tarente, brought a writ in Court Christian concerning chattels and debts not connected with a matri-

monial or testamentary suit; the sheriff of Worcester having returned that the said Peter had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 17 June, 31 Edward I.

This writ came to Hampton, 8 Id. Sept. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to execute it.

1303. Return:—The said Peter is enjoined to appear as above said ¹.

Order to the dean of Stowe to act in the case of the church of Combe, vacant by the death of the last rector, to which sir Richard de Barkeville, knight, has presented John de Barkeville, clerk, and answer to the sequestrator concerning the profits. Same date.

Appointment of Simon de Grenhill as steward and keeper of all the lands of the bishopric. Blokeleye, Sunday next after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 1303.

License to Robert, rector of the church of Halford, at the request of sir P. de Leycestre, to attend upon him from the present date for three years, letting his church to farm meanwhile for the relief of his debts, on condition that the church is served by a learned and upright chaplain, and that the said rector account for all charges and give half a mark yearly to the poor of the parish. Bredon, 14 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Writ to the bishop to sequester the ecclesiastical goods of Ralf de Bulmere, one of the assessors and collectors of the eleventh and seventh in the county of Warwick, who died without having rendered his account of the said tax; and to send account of the goods sequestered to the exchequer at York, on the morrow of S. Michael, no return having been made to a previous writ to the same effect ². Witness, I. de L'Isle. York, 20 July, 31 Edward I. This writ was delivered to the bishop at Bredon, 14 Kal. Oct.

Return:—The ecclesiastical goods of the said Ralf are estimated at 34*l.* and shall be closely sequestered.

¹ In the MS. this return is added at the head of the folio, immediately before the entry to which it relates.

² See *ante*, p. 62.

1303. (Folio 21.) Writ to the bishop to distrain Walter de Berton, master John de Rodeberow, Bartholomew de Dyvisis and Geoffrey de Hembury, clerks, executors of Godfrey, late bishop of Worcester, by their ecclesiastical benefices, to attend the exchequer at York, on the octave of S. Michael, together with John de Stanneway, their co-executor, with tallies and other acquittances, to account for the said Godfrey's debts to the King¹. Witness, P. de Leicester. York, 16 July, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Bredon 14 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Return :—W[alter] de Berton and John de Rodeberow, clerks, have been distrained to appear as above said ; Bartholomew de Dyvisis has been long dead ; Geoffrey de Hembury has no benefice in the diocese.

Writ to the bishop to produce before the justices at York in three weeks from Michaelmas, Richard, rector of the church of Hull Crumbe, executor of Nicholas de Hull, to answer, with Bartholomew de Hertford and Margery, formerly wife of Nicholas de Hull, his co-executors, to William de Bourne, in a plea of debt of 60s. ; the sheriff of Worcester having returned to the justices at York, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, that the said Richard has no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 11 July, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Bredon 11 Kal. Oct.

Return :—The said Richard is enjoined to appear as aforesaid.

Letter to the official of Worcester. Give notice of a visitation of the deanery of Worcester to be held in the cathedral church on Monday (Non. Oct.) and Tuesday next after the feast of S. Faith, Virgin, and of the deanery of Poywik, to be held in the parish church of Poywik on Thursday (6 Id. Oct.) and Friday following, and summon thereto four or six, according to the size of the parish, of the most trustworthy men from each parish. Kemesey, 8 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Notice to the prior and convent of Little Malvern². Prepare for a visitation of their monastery to be held on Saturday

¹ See their appointment in Giffard's Will, ante, p. 54. Walter de Berton was rector of Bredon, John de Rodeberow rector of

Hartlebury, John Staneway, rector of Ripple.

² See *post*, p. 77. The Prior resigned.

(3 Non. Oct.) next after the feast of S. Michael. Kemesey, 7 Kal. Oct., 1303, first year of consecration.

1303. (Folio 21*d*.) Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, next after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 1303, in the conventual church of Tewkesbury.

SUBDEACONS.

Wlstan, rector of the church of Aylesford.

Roger de Lee, vicar of Stokegiffard.

William le Bret, rector of Morton Daubeney.

Alexander de Beseford, rector of the church of Flavele.

Walter Austyn of Norton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to this order.

John Welschote of Bristoll, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the same place.

John of Merston Meysi, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Feyrford, to this order.

John de la Sherde, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Feyrford.

Robert Enneston of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of the same place, to all orders.

Robert de Baddesey, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to all orders.

Walter de Alseley of Heneley, on the title of patrimony, by the official of Worcester.

John Kene of Donampney [Downampney], on the title of the prior of Creklad [Cricklade].

Walter Nony of the same, on the title of the said prior.

John de Sherdeley, on the title of patrimony of two marks, by leave of the bishop.

John Chopin of Stratford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stratford, to this order.

John Founteynes of Bachesore, on the title of patrimony, by the dean of Blockeley.

William le Saundrevile of Moreton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynchcombe.

Henry of Aston Somervyle, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the place.

1303. Edmund le Brun, on the title of the house of Wynchecombe.

Alan de Haunepen, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynchecombe.

William Philipp' of Alveston, on the title of Hugh, rector of Hampton.

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| Adam de Whatescote, on the title of patrimony, as proved by deed. | } On condition that they come at a future date with sufficient titles. |
| Adam, son of Anthony de War', on the same title. | |

Walter de Muculton, on the title of Roger, rector of Tackeley.

Roger de Somerby, on the title of the bishop, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

John de Rippill, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Rippill, to this order.

William de Pershore, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore, to this order.

Henry de Barndeslee, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bubyry [Bibury], to this order.

Robert de Seynbury, on the title of the bishop, by special leave.

Thomas de Compton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester, to this order.

John le Mareschal of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Richard of Great Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stow, to this order.

Robert of Little Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, to this order.

William de Welleburgum.

Walter de Tatelrestrop, on the title of patrimony, which master Wst has.

John de Briclampton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore, to this order.

Alan Blont, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stonhouse, to this order.

John Man of Bristol, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Roger Frankeleyn of Little Compton, on the title of the abbot of Bittlesden, to this order.

1303. Thomas de Beke.

Adam, called Beaufiz, of Estletch [Eastleach], on the title of patrimony, by the official of Gloucester, to this order.

Henry Morine, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

Walter de Nortton, by the rector of Brokenbrig.

DEACONS.

Walter de Nategrave, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowye.

Henry de Keynemesford on the title of master prior of Lychelad.

Richard de Stocton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

William de Heyford in Stratford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stratford.

Thomas, son of John de Clyve, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore.

Philip, son of Richard de Alcestre, on the title of the house of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick.

Walter de Kynemesford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Feyrford.

William de Bolney, on the title of patrimony, in the Register as he says and swears.

Robert de la Hethe, on the title of the prior of Worcester, in the Register as he says.

John de Kynmesford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Feyrford.

John de Hampton Curly, on the title of the prior of Jerusalem.

John de Kygeswode, on the express order of the bishop.

Geoffrey de Herworton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore, for this order.

John de Neuton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean.

Robert called Leche, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk, for this order.

Robert of Preston by Cyrncester, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Cyrncestre, for this order.

William de Dersington, on the title of patrimony, by deed deposited with the bishop.

1303. William de Morton Daubney, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick, for this order.

John de Tressebur', on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Cyrncestre, for this order.

Walter de Defford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore, for this order.

Thomas de Bladyngton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, for this order.

Henry de Nategrave, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, for this order.

Henry de Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, for this order.

John de Benyngword, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk, for this order.

John of Great Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, for this order.

John de Wynchecombe, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynchecombe.

Walter de Saunford.

John de Dersinton, by brother J. de Weston.

Peter Gilberd of Bynnyngton, by leave of the bishop.

William de Welneford

John de Tanglee

Robert de Welneford

} by brother J. de Weston.

PRIESTS.

John, rector of the church of Newenton.

Gerard, rector of the church of Spernore.

William, rector of the church of Acton Beauchamp.

(Folio 22.)

Nicholas, called Lovecot, of Warwyk, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

Richard de Amondevile, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

John de Aston Somervile, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Campeden.

Henry Bridde of Langeberg, on the title of the prior of S. Fredeswyde.

William de Dydebrok in Warwick, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

William de Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Poywyk.

Simon de Walton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

Richard de Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

John of Compton Wyngate, approved by the same.

Stephen de Quenton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Campeden.

Gilbert of Morton Brut, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

Thomas Basset, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk.

John Bernard, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore.

Oliver de Etyngdon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

Robert de S. John, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore.

Ranulph de Budiford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwick.

Robert Toyte of Bradeston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the place.

Nicholas de Mottel, on the title of the prior of S. John of Jerusalem.

Peter de Beckeford, on the leave of the bishop, by letters of the prior of Worcester.

John de Heyhome, on the title of patrimony, under the seal of the warden of Bristol.

John de Colehurst, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk.

William of Colne S. Alwyn, on the title of patrimony, as proved by W. de Stoke.

Robert de Kynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk.

Henry de Lockeley, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk.

1303. William de Weston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwyk.

Richard de Mutton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bredon.

Walter of Little Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Alan de Slathtre, by William de Stoke.

Hugh Lovecot of Worcester, on the title of patrimony, by deed deposited with the bishop.

John Wyndout, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Pershore.

Thomas of Great Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Thomas de Langberg, on the title of patrimony, proved by Sir H. de Langberg.

Robert Page of Sloustre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

John, son of Roger de Gloucestre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Richard de Alecestre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Campeden.

Thomas Pershival of Breilles, on the title of patrimony, by the dean of Warwick.

Geoffrey de Wellesburn, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwik.

Henry de Quenton.

Robert Large of Sloustre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

William de Clive, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Clyve.

John de Quenton, by title of br. Robert de Bernlaye.

Henry of Worcester, on the title of patrimony, proved by many.

Hugh de Burgton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

John de Tourkeden, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Ralf Giffard of Sloustre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

1303. John de Dorne, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Blokeley.

John de Malverne, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Henry de Upton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John de Staunton.

Henry de Twenyng, on the title of the abbot of Wynhecomb.

John de Charingword, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynhecomb.

John de Berkeston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwik.

Richard Scriptor of Wynhecombe, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynhecomb.

Adam of Colde Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Walter of Stow S. Edward, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Philip de Twenyng, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynhecomb.

William de Turkeden, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Walter Nowel of Stow, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Henry de Shirborn, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

William de Wellesborn, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwik.

Thomas, son of Morischal, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Warwik.

Thomas Messenger.

Nicholas de Grafton.

(Folio 22*d*.) Declaration on oath by the prior of Worcester, Richard de Muscegros, rector of the church of Legh, Richard de la Lynde, Walter Herbert, Reginald le Porter the younger, William le Porter, rector of the church of Poywyk, and Robert de Belne, that Richard, son of Reginald le Porter of Pershore, Eustachia, wife of William de Doverdale, and Joan, wife of Walter le Blound,

residing in the diocese of Worcester, are legitimate. Not dated.

1303. Letters of legitimacy for Richard, son of Reginald le Porter of Pershore, Eustachia, wife of William de Doverdale, and Joan, wife of Walter le Blound. Worcester, 5 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Master Henry de Luceby took the three following letters with him to the Roman court.

Bond of the bishop and church of Worcester to Francis, cardinal deacon of the church of S. Laurence in Damaso¹, for a yearly payment of fifty golden florins for the advancement of the bishop's business with him, payable at a time and place to be arranged by the said Francis with Henry de Luceby, whom the bishop thereby appointed his proctor for the purpose. Worcester, 6 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Appointment of Henry de Luceby as proctor, to treat with the said Francis concerning the ordinance of his archdeaconry in the church of Worcester and its yearly farm. Same date.

Appointment of master de Trimisio and Adam de Kirkeby as the bishop's proctors in the Roman court. Same date².

Writ to the bishop to produce before the justices at York, in the octave of S. Michael, Ely de Brisrugg and John de Stonhouse, clerks, to answer to Ralf de Hengham in a plea of debt of twelve marks from the said Ely and 12*l.* from the said John, the sheriff of Gloucester having made return that they had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 28 April, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Kemeseye 6 Id. Jun.

Return:—The said Ely and John are not beneficed in the diocese of Worcester, nevertheless they have been publicly cited to appear as above said.

Memorandum that Walter de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, received the bishop's seal, as his chancellor, at Kemeseye, at the hour of Vespers, 2 Kal. Oct., 1303.

¹ This was Cardinal Francis Neapoli, archdeacon of Worcester. See a letter in the Sede Vacante Register, p. 42. See

Giffard's Register, p. 356.

² See Sede Vacante Register, p. 42.

1303. Appointment of John de Feckham to hold courts in the manors of Whiston, Wyk, Knytwyk, Kemeseye, Rippill, Bredon, Fladebury, Hambury de Wych, Hertlebury, Alvynechirch, Aston and Warwick, and the hundred of Oswaldeslowe, in absence of the steward. Kemeseye, Sunday, the feast of S. Faith, Virgin, 1303.

(Folio 23.) Writ to the bishop to produce before the justices at York, on the morrow of S. Martin, Clement de Herford, rector of the church of Shaddesley [Chaddesley Corbett], to answer Isabel Borey and Simon Borey, executors of John de Ludelewe, in a plea of debt of 16*l.*, the sheriff of Worcester having returned fifteen days from the day of Holy Trinity that the said Clement had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 26 June, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Kemeseye 2 Non. Oct., the same year, and directions were sent to the official of Worcester.

Return :—The said Clement is enjoined to appear as above said. Alvynechirch, 2 Non. [Oct.].

Writ from W. de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucestershire, to the bailiff of Derehurst. Bind the bishop by sureties and pledges to produce before the justices at York on the octave of S. Martin, Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to answer to John de Bloxham in a plea of debt; and to certify him of the execution hereof at Gloucester in fifteen days from Michaelmas.

This writ came on 5 Non. Oct., and on 2 Non. Oct. directions were sent to the official of Gloucester to enjoin the said Clement to appear as aforesaid, to sequester all his ecclesiastical goods, and to certify the bishop thereof before the feast of All Saints. The said official has certified that he has sequestered the goods of the said rector and has cited him¹.

Appointment of John de Saxeby as messenger and bearer of the bishop's letters to the Apostolic see and elsewhere. Kemeseye, 8 Id. Oct., first year of consecration.

Order to master R. de Sutton, sequestrator, and dean of Stonhouse, to hold inquisition concerning the conduct of Simon, rector

¹ See *post* for another writ to the same effect.

of the church of Tetteburi, who, as the bishop has heard from many persons, neglects his cure of souls, and does not serve his church, but consumes its goods on his own pleasures. Fladebury, 2 Id. Oct., 1303.

1303. Letter to the dean of Wych. Awaits the publication of the names of the excommunicate lest others ought to be added thereto, I. called Portes of Dod[derhill?] has been lately convicted of laying violent hands upon the Vicar of Dod, and has incurred the sentence of the greater excommunication, from which he can only be absolved by the pope¹.

License to Roger, rector of the church of Kynewarton, to study within the Kingdom of England, from 17 Kal. Nov., 1303, for three years, receiving the fruits of his church meanwhile. He need not be ordained to holy orders, the subdiaconate excepted, during that time, by authority of the constitution newly published², and shall provide a competent vicar for his church, according to the said constitution. Not dated.

Notice to Walter, rector of Snyterfeld, to receive probate of the will and grant administration of the goods of I. de Moneroun, deceased, and certify the bishop thereof by letters patent before the feast of Christmas next. Kemeseye, 17 Kal. Nov., first year of consecration.

Appointment of Roger de Pyrie, monk of the convent of Little Malvern, as prior in place of William de Molendinis, resigned. Kemeseye, 14 Kal. Nov., first year of pontificate.

(Folio 23*d*.) Acceptance of the resignation of William, prior of Little Malvern, of the office of prior made at the visitation of 4 Non. Oct., first year of pontificate³. Kemeseye, 16 Kal. Nov., 1303, first year of pontificate.

Notice to the archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester, or their officials, to welcome in their next chapters, before all other

¹ This entry is not finished in the Register.

² By Boniface VIII.

³ See *ante*, p. 67.

business except that of the fabric of the cathedral church of Worcester, the brothers of the hospital of the Holy Spirit in Saxia, of Rome, or their messengers, who shall come with papal privileges to ask the alms of the faithful; and admonish all parish priests to expound the affairs of the said hospital to their parishioners for three Sundays, according to a schedule which the bishop encloses, signed by his notary, to allow the friars personally to collect alms, and to pay them without diminution at times and places to be appointed by the bishop in the local chapters. Kemeseye, 15 Kal. Nov., 1303, first year of consecration.

1303. Order to the rector of the church of S. Hellen of Worcester to refrain, until further directions, from troubling Robert Pete, who, at the late visitation of the city of Worcester, was charged with incontinency with Christine le Wyte, and was lawfully corrected for the same before the bishop. Kemeseye, 15 Kal. Nov., first year of consecration.

License to Robert Russel, rector of the church of Streynghesham [Strensham], subdeacon, to study any subject, within the province of Canterbury, until the feast of S. Michael next; he shall not be bound to take higher orders meanwhile. He shall receive the fruits of his church and shall not defraud it of divine services. 13 Kal. Nov., same year.

Similar license to Andrew, rector of the church of Grafton under Flavel, subdeacon. 13 Kal. Nov., same year.

Writ to the bishop to sell to the value of 31*l.* the ecclesiastical goods of J. de Ebroicis, parson of the church of Tredington, which are already sequestered, and to send the money thus raised to the justices at York on the octave of S. Martin, to be delivered to Thomas de Sutham and Ralf de Leycester, being part of 44*l.* recovered by them against him at York, by an inquest held before William de Bereford, at Stycheford, in the county of Worcester. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 12 October, 31 Edward I.¹

This writ came to Hertilbury, 8 Kal. Nov., and on the same day directions were sent to the deans of Caumpeden and Tredynton to certify the execution thereof before the feast of S. Martin. The letter was delivered to Henry de Makestok, page of the said R.

¹ See *ante*, p. 63, and *post*.

1303. Return:—The said goods are being levied to as high an amount as possible, which will probably be 10*l.* at most before Christmas next; no previous return has been made to the other writ, the goods having been sequestered to the value of 31*l.*, as appears by the present writ.

Writ to the sheriff of Worcestershire to bind the bishop by surety and pledges to produce before the justices at York, on the morrow of S. Martin, Hugh de Babynton, rector of the church of Hampton-upon-Avon, to answer to John de Lyttlington in a plea of debt of 40*s.* and two robes, being arrears of a yearly rent of 20*s.* and one robe; the bishop to shew cause why he did not produce the said Hugh fifteen days from the day of Holy Trinity. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 26 June, 31 Edward I.

This writ came to Hertlebury, 5 Kal. Nov., the same year. The dean of Warwick is directed to cite the said Hugh to appear as above said, to sequester all his ecclesiastical goods and to certify the bishop thereof two days before the said feast of S. Martin.

The said Hugh, rector, appears, and taking oath to save the bishop harmless in the aforesaid cause, the said sequestration is removed; in presence of W. de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon¹, B. de Feriby, John Caley, and Gilbert de Corynghan. Alvynechirch, 2 Non. Nov.

(Folio 24.) Writ to the bishop to distraint by his ecclesiastical goods Henry de Langebergh, clerk, one of the assessors and collectors of the eleventh and seventh and the twelfth and eighth, in the county of Oxford, to appear before the justices at York, in the octave of S. Martin, with rolls, tallies, and writs, in order to render his accounts, together with John de Ellesfelde, the other assessor and collector. Witness W. de Carleton. York, 12 October, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Hampton, 5 Id. Nov.

Notice:—The said Henry is distrained to appear as above said.

License for the rector of the church of Wydeford, at the request of the lady Mary, the King's daughter, to attend upon her, receiving the fruits of his church; on condition that he cause

¹ Chancellor of the Diocese, see *ante*, p. 75.

the said church to be served by a learned and upright chaplain, and that he pay all charges, and aid the poor of the parish according to his power. Hampton, 6 Id. Nov., 1303, second year of consecration.

1303. Writ from Thomas de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucestershire, to the bailiff of Derhurst. Bind the bishop by surety and pledges to produce Ely de Brisnigg and John de Stonhuse, clerks, before the justices at York, in fifteen days from S. Martin's day, to answer to Ralf de Hengham in a plea of debt; and to certify the execution hereof, at Gloucester, before the feast of All Saints.

This writ came to Hampton, 4 Id. Nov., the said year, and the official of Gloucester is directed to sequester the ecclesiastical goods of the said clerks, and to certify the bishop thereof before the feast of S. Clement.

License to William, rector of the church of Morton Daubeneye, subdeacon, to study within the Kingdom of England from the feast of S. Michael, 1303, for one year, receiving the fruits of his church. He shall not be bound to take higher orders meanwhile, and his church shall be served by a good and competent vicar who shall be suitably paid from the profits of the church. Hampton, 3 Id. Nov.

License to John, rector of the church of Kyderminstre, priest, to attend upon the abbess of Wilton and his other lords, from the feast of S. Michael, 1303, for one year, on condition that he cause his church to be served by a good and learned chaplain, and that he pay all charges and help the poor of the parish according to his power. Hampton, 3 Id. Nov.

Appointment by the bishop of J. de Harleye, monk of the church of Worcester, as sacristan of the said cathedral church. Hampton, 17 Kal. Dec., second year of consecration.

Appointment of John de Harleye, monk of the church of Worcester, as sacristan in place of Gilbert de Maddeleye, resigned. Hampton, 18 Kal. Dec., second year of consecration¹.

¹ See *ante*, p. 64.

1303. License to Alexander, rector of the church of Flavel, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Hampton, 18 Kal. Dec.

(Folio 24*d*.) Writ to the bishop to distrain Walter Fitz Warin, rector of the church of Upton, to appear at the exchequer at York on the morrow of S. Nicholas, to answer to Robert de la Chaumbre, servant of W. Langton, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield ¹, treasurer, in a plea of assault. Witness, W. de Carleton. York, 6 November, 31 Edward I. This writ came to Hampton, 15 Kal. Dec. The dean of Wych is directed to execute the same and certify the bishop thereof before the feast of S. Andrew.

Return:—The said Walter is distrained to appear as above said.

Discharge to sir John de Stanway, clerk, whose account has been audited by Simon de Grenchull and Roger le Mareschall, stewards, of moneys received and paid by him during the whole time that he was receiver of the bishop's wardrobe; his arrears of 9*l*. 9*s*. 8*d*. being forthwith paid by him. Hampton by Warwick, Wednesday, the feast of Blessed Edmund, King and Martyr, 1303.

Grant of the custody of the chapel of Burton, vacant by resignation of Robert de Harnehull, last rector, to Simon de Duyn, clerk, presented to the said church by sir Robert de Harnehull, knight, until the feast of S. Hilary next, on condition that he then procure institution to the same, and meanwhile satisfy the bishop as to his orders and morals, and as to his being beneficed elsewhere. The dean of Blockele is directed to deliver to him corporal possession. Hampton, 10 Kal. Dec.

Bond of the bishop to Amadeus, count of Savoy, in one hundred and ninety marks, by reason of the purchase from the King, when he restored the temporalities of the see, of a portion of the corn sown in the lands of the bishopric, which he granted to the said count in part payment of a bond of ten thousand marks; of which portion of corn the bishop acknowledges the receipt. He

¹ Walter de Langton, 1296—1321.

promises, at the request of Bernard de Mercato, the count's proctor and attorney, who is present, that the said one hundred and ninety marks shall be paid at the house of the merchants of the company of the Bellardi at Lucca, at Christmas next, and appoints Walter de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, and Simon de Grenhull, of the county of Northampton, to pay the same. Hampton-upon-Avon, Saturday, the feast of S. Andrew, Apostle, 1303.

Similar bond is made for 170*l.* 15*s.* 10½*d.* to be paid into the King's exchequer at the feast of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist, 1304.

(Folio 25.) Institution of Gilbert, called Swift, acolyte, to the church of Cromhale, vacant by the death of Roger de Kynggeston, last rector, on the presentation of sir William de Wauton, knight, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester or his official. Bredon, 2 Kal. Jun., same year.

License to J., rector of Combe, subdeacon, to study, from the feast of S. Michael, 1304, for two years. Bredon, 4 Non. Jun.

1304. Institution of John Corbet, acolyte, as rector of the church of Ebrihton, on the presentation of master William de Bosco, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester or his official. Wynchecombe, 8 Id. Jun., same year.

Institution of Thomas de Weston as rector of the church of Weston-under-Egge, by Thomas de Sutton, clerk, the bishop's commissary, whose commission is contained in the book of commissions, at the presentation of sir J. Giffard, knight, letters of institution and induction to the deans of Wynchecombe and Caumpeden. London, the house in which master J. Bloyon resides, Id. Jun., same year.

Ordinance concerning the church of Estlech, respecting which a dispute has arisen between John Caley, rector of the same, and John de Throkmerton, presented to the said church by the prior and convent of Great Malvern. The bishop ordains that John Caley shall peacefully keep the said church and that John de Throkmerton, who is only in minor orders, and, on account

of his condition, cannot proceed to higher orders without the bishop's special licence, shall renounce his right therein and shall receive yearly 40s. in the name of charity, from John Caleys as long as he holds the said church, unless he meanwhile obtains another benefice, in which event John Caleys shall be entirely released from the said payment. This ordinance is made in the bishop's chamber, in presence of the said John de Throkemerton and of Simon de Grenehull, the bishop's steward, Benet de Feriby, clerk, brother John de Morton, Ailmer le Vyneter of Northampton, John de Fekenham and many others. Bredon, Wednesday next before the feast of S. Barnabas, apostle, 1304.

1304. Collation of W. de Loriaco, priest, to the church of Bredon, of the bishop's patronage, vacant by the death of Walter de Berton, last rector¹, and is inducted thereto by John called Caleys, clerk. Bredon, 13 Kal. Jul., 1304.

Institution of Richard Croyser, priest, to the church of S. Alban of Worcester, at the presentation of the abbot of Evesham. Rippil, 11 Kal. Jul., same year.

License to John, rector of the church of Old Swyneford, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, and to let to farm his church for the relief of his debts to any ecclesiastical person through whom his own condition and that of his church may be improved, provided that the said church be not defrauded of divine services, or the cure of souls neglected. Hertelbury, 5 Non. Jul., same year.

Resignation by John de Throkemerton, clerk, of his right in the church of S. Martin of Astlech, to which he was presented by the prior and convent of Great Malvern. Sealed with a certain round seal and delivered into the bishop's hands, in his chamber, in presence of the prior of Great Malvern, J. de Foxle, J. de Rodeberwe, B. de Feriby, T. de Stratton, Roger le Marschal, and others. Kemeseye, 7 Id. Jul., same year.

(Folio 25*d*.) Collation of Thomas de Stratton, clerk, to the church of Wythindon, in the bishop's patronage, in presence of

¹ Executor of Bishop Giffard's will, see *ante*, p. 54 and p. 67.

B. de Feriby and J. Caley; on the morrow he is inducted by the dean of Wynchecombe. Kemeseye, 17 Kal. Aug., same year.

1304. License to James Giffard, rector of the church of Kynton, to study from Michaelmas next for two years, and to let to farm his church meanwhile for the relief of debts, to any fitting person through whom his own condition and that of his church may be bettered. Kemeseye, 15 Kal. Aug., 1304, second year of consecration.

Institution of Stephen, called Malore, priest, to the church of Fayrford, vacant by resignation of R. de Hengham¹, last rector, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Teukesbury, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester or his official. Kemeseye, 14 Kal. August, same year.

Institution of William de Apperley, subdeacon, to the church of Thornbury, vacant by death of Peter de Leycestre, last rector, at the presentation of the convent of Teukesbury, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester or his official. At the same time, the said William resigns his right in the deanery of Warwick, by letter. Kemeseye, 13 Kal. Aug., same year.

License to Adam de Orleton², rector of the church of Wotton by Kyngg', to study letters from the feast of S. Michael next, for three years, within the kingdom of England or without. Wyk', 11 Kal. Aug., same year.

License to Walter, rector of the church of Wolward, priest, to let to farm his church to Hugh, vicar of Brayles, from Michaelmas next for three years, for the relief of his debts; saving to the bishop power to revoke the license at any time, if the good of the church and welfare of the souls of the parishioners render it expedient. Alvynchirch, 3 Kal. Aug., same year.

¹ Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, formerly Archdeacon of Worcester. See Giff. Reg., p. lx. W.H.S.

² Subsequently Bishop of Hereford, Worcester, and Winchester.

1304. Institution of Stephen de Mesiaco, monk of the house of S. Taurinus, to the priory of Astleye, vacant by resignation of Ralf de Portes, on the presentation of Stephen de Gamages, monk and proctor of the said house, in the name of the abbot and convent, letters of institution and induction to the official of Worcester or the rector of Harley [Arley Kings]. Alvynechirch, 2 Kal. Aug.

Grant of the custody of the sequestered profits of the vicarage of Northlech to John Gymel, vicar of Kynemersford, priest, until the feast of S. Michael next, on condition that the said church be not defrauded of services, and that he pays the charges on the same. Alvechirch, 4 Non. Aug.

Institution of William de Thorntoft, clerk, in the person of John de Cestre, his proctor, as rector of the church of Doderhull, on the presentation of the King, who has recovered the right of patronage against the prior of Worcester, true patron, the bishop of the diocese, the archbishop of Canterbury, and John de Middleton, incumbent by authority of the archbishop. Letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Worcester or his official, or to the dean of Wych. Alvechirch, 3 Non. Aug.

Ordination of William, called Mautravers, of Wodecestre, as acolyte, and he has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Alvynechirch, 5 Id. Aug., same year.

William de la Grave, of King's Norton, acolyte, has similar letters dimissory. Alvynechirch, same date.

License to Walter, rector of the church of Snyterfelde, to study letters from the feast of S. Michael next, for three years, Hampton, 2 Kal. Sept., 1304, second year of consecration.

(Folio 26.) License to Drugo¹, rector of the church of Piriton, to study from Michaelmas next, for three years, and to let to farm his church meanwhile to any ecclesiastical person of upright conversation. Hampton-upon-Avon, 8 Id. Sept., 1304.

¹ Instituted 1301. See Giff. Reg., 541.

1304. Institution of William de Eggesberwe, priest, as vicar of the church of Aston [White Ladies Aston], on the presentation of the prioress of Wistan, with charge of continual residence, letters of institution and induction to the official of Worcester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 14 Kal. Oct.

Institution of Gilbert de Foxle, subdeacon, to the chapel of Tormerton, on the presentation of sir Hugh de S. Philbert, knight, letters of institution and induction to the official of Gloucester. Same date.

License to the said Gilbert to study for two years from the said date. Same date.

Institution of Nicholas Makerel, clerk, to the church of Little Compton, on the presentation of the prior of Derhurst, letters of institution and induction to the official of Gloucester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 14 Kal. Oct.

License to the said Nicholas for non-residence for a year from the said date, and letters dimissory for all holy orders. Same date.

Grant *in commendam* to R. Tankard, priest, at the presentation of G[uy], earl of Warwick, to hold for six months in accordance with the last council of Lyons, the prebend in the collegiate church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, commonly called the deanery, lately held by W. de Appirle. Hampton, 15 Kal. Oct. same year.

Institution of Bartholomew de Covele, subdeacon, to the church of Ebrihton, on the presentation of master William de Bosco, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Stratford-upon-Avon, 13 Kal. Oct.¹

Institution of Geoffrey de Compton, priest, to the church of Shipton Chaunflour, on the presentation of William de Solers, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 11 Kal. Oct.

Grant of the custody of the sequestration of the church of S. John of Bristol until the next ordination to Thomas de Ciston,

¹ See *post*, p. 89.

clerk, who has only received the first tonsure; presented to the said church by the abbot and convent of Teukesbury, on condition that he shall be then ordained acolyte and shall be instituted to the said church. He has letters to the archdeacon. Hampton, 5 Kal. Oct.

1304. License to Robert, rector of the church of Pipplinton, priest, to study letters from Michaelmas next for two years. Hampton-upon-Avon, 5 Kal. Oct., 1304.

License to John, rector of the church of Boxwell, priest, to let his church to farm and to go to Rome from the present date for a year, in order to further his affairs in the Roman Court before the feast of S. Michael, 1305. Hampton-upon-Avon, 4 Kal. Oct., 1304.

License to study to Andrew de Bonnhull, rector of the church of Grafton-under-Flavel, subdeacon, within the province of Canterbury, until the feast of S. Michael next. Rowynton, Kal. Oct., 1304, second year of consecration.

Institution of John de Haddesovere, priest, to the vicarage of Northletche, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Gloucester, letters of institution and induction, dated 17 Kal. Nov., to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Non. Oct., same year.

Institution of Thomas de Wade, priest, to the vicarage of Ameney S. Cross, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Teukesbury, letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 8 Id. Oct., same year.

License to Robert Russell, rector of the church of Strengesham, subdeacon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next, in the same form as the rector of Grafton-under-Flavel. Hampton-upon-Avon, Id. Oct., 1304.

Similar license to Thomas, rector of the church of Eggeword Hampton-upon-Avon, Id. Oct., 1304.

1304. (Folio 26*d.*) Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, at Stratford, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, next after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 1304, second year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

John, rector of Bishampton.

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| John de S. Cross | } | of Bruera, in the diocese of Lincoln, |
| Thomas de Suthford | | by letters dimissory of the bishop |
| Ralph de Eton | | of the said diocese. |

John Dunclett, rector of the church of Salewarpe.

SUBDEACONS.

Richard Thursteyn of Crombe Simon, on the title of patrimony of 40*s.*, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

George, son of Richard Roger of Stodeley, on the title of patrimony of 30*s.*, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

William de Estletche, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

John Sely, on the title of the house of S. Mark of Bristoll, only to this order.

William le Northeren of Cheddeword, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ¹.

William de Doudeswell of Northletche, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

William Lock of Preston, on the title of patrimony of 40*s.*, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

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| Walter de Foxcote, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Wythingdon ² . | } To this order only. |
| Richard Gerarde of the same place, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the said dean. | |
| John Gerarde of the same place, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the said dean. | |

John Reede of Prestbury, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

Richard de Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Blockeley, to this order only.

¹ Against this entry is written :—(*f^{m.}*) falsum ?

² Against this entry is written :—sigillum est ignotum.

1304. William le Brazour of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham ; to only two orders.

Henry Crok of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

Robert de Patrica, rector of the church of Faryndon in the diocese of Winchester, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Winchester.

John Smith of Ameneye, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter de Quenton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

John de Wyke, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

John Lysane of Stowe, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

Robert de Northcote, on the title of patrimony of 30s., approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Thomas de Cherlecote, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester, only to this order.

Henry de Bubby of Warwick, on the title of patrimony of 36s., approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

Richard called Fremanteyl of Wynchecombe, on the instance of master Roger the steward, on condition that when he desires to be ordained to next orders, he have sufficient title.

John del Ovene of Preston, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester ; to all orders.

John Salman of Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester ; to all orders.

Richard de Dumbelton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester ; to all orders.

Adam Capel, rector of the church of Nymdesfeld.

Bartholomew de Covele, rector of the church of Ebrithton¹.

Nicholas de la Berowe, on the title of patrimony of two marks, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

Richard Purdome, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lychfield and Coventry, on the title of the house of Teulesford, only to this order.

William Hamond, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester ; to all orders.

¹ See *ante*, p. 86.

1304. William de Charyngword, on the title of patrimony of 38s., approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester, only.

Nicholas, rector of Oselword.

Robert of Morton Lyndesey, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester; to all orders.

Robert Stevenne of Great Kynton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester, only to this order.

Robert Prodomme of Great Kynton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester; to all orders.

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| Richard de Wykyngeston | } of Breura, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln. |
| Robert de Sybeford | |
| Thomas de Cesterden | |

Robert de Paxford, on the instance of John de Geynesburg, by license of the bishop.

Henry Canon, on the title of four marks. The seal appears false.

William de Wermeton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester, only to this order.

John Dabetot, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Salisbury, to the rectory of the church of Chetel', only to this order.

Thomas de Schirborn, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester; to all orders.

DEACONS.

Walter Mayel, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter Nony of Dunnameney, on the title of the prior of the hospital of S. John of Jerusalem; to all orders.

Richard, son of Richard Miller of Fladebury, on the title of a certain chantry; as above in the Register.

Walter de Lenchewyk, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham; as above.

Henry le Juvere of Morton, by precept of the bishop.

Nicholas, son of William Rouge of Derlyngscote, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Tredyngton.

John Cyvyteus, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

1304. John Bruly of Wolfreton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

John de Wawenwotton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

Robert Wood of Yerdeley, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

Walter de Mukelton, on no title because he was admitted before.

Richard of Great Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Stowya.

John Tilleman of Wynchecombe, on a title which the dean has, on condition, etc.

William of Hampton Meysi, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Thomas, son of Thomas de Astletchc, on the title of the dean of Fayreford.

Robert de Letchelade, admitted during the vacancy, without title, on condition that he should come again with a title.

Peter de Barton, rector of the church of Buddebrok.

Thomas de Kynemersford, on the title of the house of Lctchelade only, on condition, etc.

John de Wonnecote, on no title because he was ordained previously, during the vacancy, on condition, etc.

Walter Flemyng, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

Robert de Were of la Berewe, on the title of patrimony, approved under seal, as previously.

Nicholas de Cherlecote, on the title of the house of the Holy Trinity of Teulesford.

Ralf of Prcston-upon-Stor, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Robert de Dodemerton, on the title of the abbot of Malmesbury.

John of Preston-upon-Stor, on the same title as previously.

John, son of Adam de Wonecote, on the same title as previously.

Richard of Little Rysindon, on the same title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Peter, rector of the church of Sutton.

John, son of Robert de Beck, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Northwych, when he shall have a title by the pleasure of the bishop.

1304. William de Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Blockeley.

Simon de Arnyngword, by writ of the bishop at the instance of H. de Warr', by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Roger de Grousewolde, on the title of patrimony, approved above.

Richard Ingebold of Herverton, by writ of the bishop, as elsewhere.

Adam de Langeberowe, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Henry de Suthcerney, on the title, as previously.

Richard Gregori, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Bristoll¹.

William Smith of Ameneye, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

John, son of Robert de Beck, by writ of the bishop, without title, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Northwych.

PRIESTS.

Henry, called Coterel of Ocle, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

William le Bret, portioner in the church of Morton Daubeney.

Adam de Astletche, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Admund le Brun, on the title of the abbot of Wynchecombe.

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| Henry de Twenyng | } on the same title. |
| John Martyn of Wynchecombe | |

John Kene of Donameney, on the title of the prior of the hospital of S. John of Jerusalem.

Alan de Prestbury, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter Austyn of Norton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

William de Bernyngton, called Sturtop, without title, because ordained previously by the order of the bishop.

Robert de Seynesbury, by order of the bishop.

Ralf de Wynchecombe, by order of the bishop.

¹ Against this entry is written :—*fabricato [sigillo] falsum.*

1304. John de Derlyngscote, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Tredyngton.

Henry de Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

John de Shipton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Tredyngton.

William de Bokelond, because previously admitted by G[odfrey] the bishop's predecessor.

Geoffrey Herverton, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Pershore, as previously.

Walter de Alseleye of Henleye, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Nicholas Thoralde of Hampton Meisi, on the title of the dean of Fayreford.

Robert Herforton, on the title of the prior and convent of the house of the Holy Sepulchre.

Richard de Chaddesley, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

John Punteys of Baccheshovere, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Blockley.

Richard Rauf of Brimesgrave, because admitted previously.

Ely, rector of Haselton.

Walter to the church of Gloucester, because admitted previously.

William de Pershore, because admitted previously.

Robert de Barton in Hennemmersh, because admitted previously.

Robert de Nategrave, because admitted previously.

William de Syde, rector of Wynneston.

William de Wykewane, because admitted previously.

Walter de Nategrave, because admitted previously.

John Welshote of Bristoll, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of the same place.

Roger, son of Thomas of Little Compton, on the title of the abbot of Bitlesden.

John of Merston Meysi, on title approved before under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter de Kynemersford, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the dean of Fayreford.

Nicholas de Cherleton, by order of the bishop.

1304. Robert of Great Comberton, by consent of the bishop at the request of the prior of Kenylword.

John de Tysho, on the title of patrimony, as previously.

Nicholas Pope of Todenham, because admitted previously.

William of Thorp Watervil, vicar of Prees, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lychfield and Coventry.

Thomas le Venour, rector of the church of Madlec, by letters dimissory of the said bishop.

Alexander, rector of Flavel.

John de Letchelade, by order of the bishop, because admitted previously, etc.

Richard Spelly, by order of the bishop, without title.

William of Getyng Poer, because he was admitted by G[odfrey], on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Robert of Preston by Cyrnecestre, on title, as previously.

Walter de Dumbelton, without patrimony by leave of the bishop.

John Mareschal of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

John de Stowe, on the title as previously, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

(Folio 27.) William de Dagelyngword, on the title, as previously.

Richard de Welneford, by order of the bishop, at the instance of brother J. de Weston.

Richard de Bernyngton, because admitted previously.

John de Dagelyngword, because admitted previously.

William de Heyford, on the title of patrimony, as previously.

Peter de Lenche, by leave of the bishop.

Thomas Page of Wenriche, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter de Tadelestrop, on the title as shown previously.

John Chopyn of Lodyngton, on the title, as previously.

Walter of Little Rysindon, on the title shown previously.

William, called Philippe, of Alveston, on the title, as previously.

Thomas de Bladyngton, on the title, as previously.

Robert of Little Rysindon, on the title, as previously.

John of Little Compton, on the title, as previously.

Adam de Watecote, on the title, as previously.

Richard de Grimmeleye, on the title as previously.

1304. Institution of William de Borstalle, priest, to the church of Nymdesfelde, vacant by resignation of Adam Capel, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester, letters of institution and induction to the dean of Stonhous Hampton-upon-Avon, 8 Kal. Oct., 1304.

Institution of Richard, called le Godeboye, of Aston, acolyte to the church of S. Michael of Bristoll, vacant by resignation of Roger de la More, last rector¹, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 5 Kal. Oct.

License to Reginald, rector of the church of Seynesbury, to study within the province of Canterbury, until the feast of S. Michael next. Hampton-upon-Avon, 10 Kal. Nov., 1304, second year of consecration.

License to Roger de Herberd, rector of the church of Oldebury, deacon, to study within the province of Canterbury until the feast of S. Michael next. Hampton-upon-Avon, 9 Kal. Nov., same year.

Institution of Adam Caple, subdeacon, in the person of master Walter de Holleberow his proctor, to the church of S. John in Gloucester, vacant by resignation of John de Haddesore, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 5 Kal. Nov., 1304.

Collation of Gilbert Acketoft of Gilby, clerk, to the church of Weston Brut, the collation having devolved to the bishop through lapse of time, on account of a dispute between several who had been presented to the said church; saving the right of the future patron. Hampton-upon-Avon, 4 Kal. Nov.

(Folio 27*d*.) Institution of John de Wakerle, priest, in the person of J. Caley's his proctor, in presence of W. de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, and Adam de Howden, to the church of Great Rysindon, on the presentation of sir Walter de L'Isle, knight. Induction is postponed until master T.² be called to shew why, etc. Alvechirch. 3 Non. Nov.

¹ See Giff. Reg., p. 337.

² Probably Thomas de Westoll, instituted 1301; Giff. Reg. 544.

1304. Institution of Geoffrey de Waleden, acolyte, in the person of Nicholas de Circestre, priest, his proctor, to the church of Barndesle, on the presentation of Humfrey de Boun, earl of Hereford and Essex, letters of induction to the dean of Bybury. Alvechirch, 2 Non. Nov.

Institution of Walter, called Mynte, of Strugull, priest, to the church of S. Stephen of Bristoll, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Glastonbury, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 5 Id. Nov.

Institution of Walter de Duyn, priest, to the church of Schipton Moyne, on the presentation of Henry de Moyne, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 3 Id. Nov.

Further grant *in commendam* of the church of Overbury to Peter de Periton. 3 Id. Nov.

Institution of John de Cerney, subdeacon, to the church of Nategrave, vacant by resignation of John de Doucclent, on the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 17 Kal. Dec., same year.

Institution of John, called Ronhened, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Stratton, on the presentation of Gilbert de Burghull, rector, letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 12 Kal. Dec., 1304.

Admission of Walter Burdon, in the person of William de Derby, clerk, his proctor, to the prebend of Horton, at the presentation of bishop of Salisbury¹. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to induct him. Alvynechirch, 11 Kal. Dec. 1304, third year of pontificate.

License to John de Cerneye, subdeacon, rector of the church of Nategrave, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Hertelbury, 18 Kal. Jan., same year.

¹ Simon of Ghent, 1297—1315.

1304. Institution of John de Wynchelseye, priest, in the person of William de Coleshull, substitute of W. de Chadeleshonte, his proctor, to the prebend of Button, vacant by the death of Richard de Wynton, at the presentation of the bishop of Salisbury; letters of induction and institution to the official or dean of Button. Hertelbury, 17 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of Thomas de Ciston, acolyte, to the church of S. John of Bristoll, vacant by resignation of Robert, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury; letters of institution and induction to the official of Gloucester. Ambresley, 14 Kal. Jan., same year.

License to Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Hertelbury, 13 Kal. Jan.

Institution of Walter de Buterleye, priest, from the diocese of Hereford, to the chapel of Oddynggest¹ [Oddingley?], with cure of souls, vacant by the death of William de Solers, on the presentation of Roger de Mortimer; letters of institution and induction to the rector of S. Hellen of Worcester. Same date.

License to Hugh, rector of the church of Hampton-upon-Avon, priest, to study until the feast of S. Michael next. Hilyngdon, Non. Feb., same year.

License to Peter, rector of the church of Avenyng, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for three years. London, Non. Mar., 1304.

(Folio 28.) Orders celebrated at Ambresley [Ombresley], by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor Temporum*, next after the feast of S. Lucy, Virgin², 1304, third year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

Thomas de Ciston, warden of the church of S. John of Bristoll.

¹ See Giffard Register, W.H.S., App. IV. p. ccxxvi.

² 13 December.

SUBDEACONS.

1304. John Donclet, rector of the church of Salewarp.

Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll.

Henry called Grom, of Hilmedon, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester, only for this [order].

John de Etyndon, on the same title, to all orders.

William called Mariscal, of Wormynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Richard de Lythshirne, on the title of patrimony of S. John of Jerusalem, to all orders.

Guy de Torkedon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Richard de Bourton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

John de Bradewas, on the title of patrimony, approved by the prior of Worcester.

Richard de la Felde, by special leave of the bishop.

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| Bro. Thomas de Shitford, | } of Bruwera, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln. |
| Bro. John de S. Cross, | |
| Bro. Ralf de Eton, | |

DEACONS.

Adam Sporoun of Pershore¹, previously admitted before, during vacancy.

Nicholas de la Berewe of Fekham [Feckenham], on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester, as above.

William called Riche, of Witton, on the title of patrimony, approved, as above.

Walter de Hulmancot, on title approved, as above.

Walter de Quenton, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Robert Stevene of Great Kynton, on the title of patrimony.

Nicholas de Fepeinton², previously admitted during vacancy.

Peter de Ameneye², admitted as above.

William Hammond of Warwick, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

¹ See *Sede Vacante Reg.*, p. 23. He was ordained subdeacon Sept., 1302, on the title of patrimony, by John, Bishop of Llandaff.

² Both ordained at the same time sub-

deacons, on the title of patrimony, N. de Fepeinton as "Nicholas de Phepsynton," *ib.* p. 22, *post*, p. 113.

1304. Henry Bulby of the same place, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

Richard de Dombelton, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

John de Wyke, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Robert Eustan of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of the same place.

Robert de Patrica, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Winchester, as above.

Richard Fremond of Wynchecombe, previously admitted without title.

Geoffrey de Hampton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

William Brasour of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of the same place.

Richard de Langeney, previously admitted during vacancy.

John de Stoultre, on the title, as above.

John de Lench, previously admitted by G[odfrey], bishop.

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| Bro. Richard de Wykingeston, | } of Bruera, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln. |
| Bro. Robert de Sibbeford, | |
| Bro. Thomas de Circedon, | |

PRIESTS.

Simon de Sutton, rector of the church of Lench Rokolf.

Peter de Barton, rector of Buddebok.

Roger, rector of the chapel of Oldebury.

Thomas de Kempston, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Richard, son of Richard the Miller of Fladebury, on the title of a chantry in the same place¹.

Robert Wood in Verdeleye, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

Walter de Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

Simon de Arnyngworth, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

William de Bulneye, on the title of patrimony, approved as above.

Nicholas de Byke, of the diocese of Cicestre, by letters dimissory of the bishop of the said diocese.

¹ Against this entry is written :—Memorandum.

1304. Henry de Teuk¹, admitted previously during vacancy.

Richard Ingebold of Herforton, by leave of the bishop, as above.

Henry le Juvene of Morton, by the same leave.

Walter de Lenchewyk, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Robert de la Hethe, previously admitted by letters of the prior of Worcester.

John Pypard of Pershore, on the title, as previously.

Thomas de Matherne, on the title, as previously.

Walter de Mukelton, because previously admitted, without title².

William de Botteote, on the title of patrimony and testimony of W. Moyn.

John de Grymenhull, because previously admitted.

Dispensation to John Donclet, rector of the church of Salewarp, subdeacon, to study within the kingdom of England, from the present date for two years. Hertelbury, 10 Kal. Jan., same year.

License to John de Wyghton, rector of the church of Ryndecombe, deacon, to study from the present date until Easter next. Hertelbury, 3 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of Simon de Halsted, of the diocese of London, acolyte, presented to the church of Yerdeleye, in the diocese of Worcester, by the prioress and convent of Catesby, in the diocese of Lincoln. Takes oath in supplement of an inquisition concerning the vacancy of the said church, that he is a free and lawful man, of good conversation, and an acolyte; on the morrow, 3 Non. Feb., he is instituted to the said church, vacant by resignation of sir R. de Hengham³, letters of institution and induction to the official of Worcester or the dean of Kyderminster. Hilyngdon, 4 Non. Feb., same year.

Grant of the custody of the vicarage of Bisseley to John de Wyvelsford, subdeacon, until the next ordination, on condition that he be then ordained deacon. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to deliver the said custody to him. Stanes, 8 Id. Feb., same year.

¹ Probably Henry de Tewkesbury, ordained deacon by John, Bishop of Llandaff, Sept., 1302. *Sede Vacante Reg.*, W.H.S., p. 24.

² Against this entry is written :—"decep' cler'."

³ Chief Justice, see *ante*, p. 63. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. lx.

1304. License to John Archer, rector of the church of Preston-upon-Stour, priest, to go to Rome in order to further his affairs in the Roman court. London, 16 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of Thomas, of Compton Wynyate, deacon, to the church of Compton Wynyate, vacant by the death of Robert, on the presentation of Robert, lord of Compton aforesaid; letters of institution and induction to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Hilyngdon, 2 Kal. Mar., same year.

Grant of the custody of the sequestration of the vicarage of the vacant church of Claverdon until the octave of Easter next, to Richard de Stokton, priest, presented to the said church by Albrach Gerardi, merchant of Florence, proctor and administrator general in temporalities and spiritualities in England of Francis, cardinal deacon, archdeacon of Worcester. Directions sent to master R. de Sutton. London, 6 Non. Mar., same year.

License to John Somery, rector of the church of Bishampton, acolyte, to study from the present date for three years. Hertilbury, 6 Kal. Jan., 1304.

(Folio 28*d*.) Institution of John de Waledena, acolyte, to the chapel of Barndele [Bardesley next Bebury]¹, vacant by resignation of Geoffrey de Waledena, on the presentation of Humfrey, earl of Hereford and Essex, at whose instance the bishop confers on the said John the sequestered fruits of the chapel. London, Non. Mar., 1304.

Letters dimissory for Nicholas de Bradewas, acolyte, for all holy orders to any bishop of the province of Canterbury. London, 2 Non. Mar., same year.

Like letters dimissory for William de Bradewas, acolyte. London, 4 Non. Mar., same year.

Institution of Henry, called Fraunceys, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Hanley² [Hanley Castle], vacant by the death of Geoffrey de Kyngesleye, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Little Malvern; letters of institution and induction to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Hilyngdon, 4 Id. Mar., same year.

¹ See Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 369.

² Ib. p. 270.

1304. Institution of John de Wyvelesford, deacon, to the vicarage of the first portion of the church of Bisseleye, vacant by the death of William Calf, on the presentation of Henry de Upelaven, rector of the said portion; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hilyngdon, 2 Id. Mar., same year.

Grant of the custody of the sequestration in the deanery of the collegiate church of Warwick until the octave of Easter next, after his grant of the same *in commendam* to R. Tankard, presented to the deanery, 15 Kal. Apr.

Institution of William de Staunford, priest, to the vicarage of Rouwynton, vacant by the death of Simon¹, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Raddyngg; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. London, 12 Kal. Apr., same year.

License to Thomas de Wilton, rector of the church of Lappe-worth, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for three years. Hilyngdon, 13 Kal. Apr., same year.

Here begins the year of the Lord 1305.

1305. Institution of Philip Cok of Bristoll, priest, to the church of Siston, on the presentation of the King to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hilyngdon, 4 Non. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Apelton, acolyte, to the Church of Rindecombe, vacant by resignation, to the bishop, of John de Wyhton, last rector, 6 Kal. Mar., at Hilyngdon. Wycombe, 2 Non. Apr., same year.

Institution of Wlstan de Scheldesleye, subdeacon, to the church of Morton Brut, vacant by resignation of William de Schireborn², priest, on the presentation of Richard de Ruhale, lord of Morton Brut; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. 3 Id. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Schireborn, priest, to the church of Daylesford, vacant by resignation of Wlstan de Scheldesleya, on

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 423.

² Ib. p. 452.

the presentation of Thomas de Hastings ; letters to the dean of Blockeleye. 5 Id. Apr., same year.

1305. Orders celebrated at Wythingdon, by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Holy Saturday, 1305.

SUBDEACON.

Gilbert Swift, rector of Cromhale.

DEACONS.

William de Bonham, rector of Crombe Abetot.

William Mariscal of Wormynton, admitted as previously, and by letters of the abbot of Heyles.

Collation of Richard de Stockton, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Claverdon, vacant by the death of Philip, the collation having devolved on the bishop by lapse of six months ; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester ; saving the right of the future patron. Wythingdon, 10 Kal. Maii, same year.

License to Gilbert de Swift, rector of the church of Cromhale, subdeacon, to study from the present date for one year. Wythingdon, Holy Saturday, 1305.

(Folio 29.) Institution of William Levelaunce, acolyte, to the chapel of Dishford, the cure being vacant by the profession of Nicholas, last rector, as a Friar Minor, on the presentation of John de Dishford Frary ; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Wythingdon, 4 Kal. Maii, same year.

Institution of John de Stowya, chaplain, to the vicarage of the church of Driffeld, vacant by the death of William de Ameney, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Cyrencestre ; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester. Wythingdon, 2 Kal. Maii, same year.

Institution of Peter de Bourton, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Blessed Mary, before the gate of the abbey of S. Peter of Gloucester, vacant by the death of William Chaumberleyn, on

the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter aforesaid; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, Kal. Maii, same year.

1305. Dispensation to John de Waleden, rector of the chapel of Barndesle, acolyte¹, to study from Michaelmas next for two years, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he has undertaken to receive within a year of accepting the charge of the said church. Bredon, 6 Id. Maii, same year.

Inquisition held in the church of Wottone, on the morrow of S. Oswald, in full chapter, by the rectors of Newyntone and Lasseberowe, the vicars of Berkeleye and Frontone, and the proctors of Slynbrugge, Wottone, Dorseleye, Camme, Yweleye, Rochampton, Osleworth, Beverston, and Coveleye, concerning the vacancy of the church of Thornbury. The said church has been vacant since the day of the Conversion of S. Paul, 1304, by the death of William de Apperleye, last rector. The abbot and convent of Tewkesbury are the true patrons, and made the last presentation. The church pays a pension of 63s. to the said convent, which is not in dispute. The person presented is beneficed elsewhere, namely, in the church of Estletch of Assmer', with the dignity of the archdeaconry of Landaff. This inquisition came to Blockeley, 14 Kal. Jun., same year.

Grant of the custody of the sequestration in the prebend of the collegiate church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, commonly called the deanery, to R. Tankard, priest, until the feast of the Nativity of Blessed Mary next. Kemeseye, 3 Kal. Jun., same year.

License to Gilbert de Foxle, rector of the church of Tormerton, subdeacon, to study from 14 Kal. Oct. last for three years. Bredon Non. Jun., 1305, third year of consecration.

License to John, rector of the church of Boxwell, priest, to let his church to farm from the feast of S. Michael, 1305, for one year, and to go to Rome in order to further his affairs in the Roman court before the feast of S. Michael, 1306. Bredon, 5 Id. Jun., 1305, third year of consecration.

¹ See *ante*, p. 101.

1305. Institution of Roger de Beler, clerk, to the church of Adreston, vacant by resignation of William de Dalby, last rector, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Teokesbury; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 3 Id. Jun., 1305.

License to the said Roger to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year, on condition that he be ordained subdeacon within a year from the time of his institution. Same date.

License to Gilbert, rector of the church of Cromhale, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year. Bredon, 18 Kal. Jul., same year.

Institution of Adam de Ouleberwe, acolyte, to the church of King's Stanley, vacant by the death of John le Sage, last rector, on the presentation of Emery le Despenser; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynchirch, 8 Id. Jul., same year.

(Folio 29*d*.) Orders celebrated at Teokesbury by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, the eve of the Holy Trinity, 1305, third year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

Peter de Bradeleye, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Durham, to this order only.

Baldewyn de S. Alban, by letters dimissory of the vicar of the elect of London¹.

SUBDEACONS.

Leonard de Beauchamp, rector of Bregham, in the diocese of Norwych, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Norwych; to all orders.

William de Appelton, rector of the church of Ryndecombe.

John, rector of the church of Bishampton.

William Levelaunce, rector of the church of Dicheford.

Edmund de Burgo, rector of the church of Morton, in the diocese of Exeter, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Exeter, to all orders.

¹ Ralph Baldock, consecrated 30 Jan., 1306.

1305. Hugh Stob of Warwick, literate, by special grace of the bishop, on condition that he remain in that order for a year, and produce letters attesting his title under seal of the official.

John, son of Peter of the Salt Marsh in Upton, literate, by order of the bishop.

Henry Sauvage of Kynemersford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

William de Wolaston of Old Swyneford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

John de Nethercote, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Walter Thurstan of Offenham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to all orders.

Henry de Sobbur', on the title of patrimony of 30s., approved by the official of Gloucester only.

Henry ate Yate of Bladyngton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Thomas, called Cromme of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot, to the orders of subdeacon and deacon only.

John, son of Robert de Neubold of the same place, by letters dimissory of the said abbot, to all orders.

Geoffrey de Hampton, by letters dimissory of the said abbot, to all orders.

John Faveril of Southcerney, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Hugh de Bladyngton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

William Gilemyn of Derhurst, on the title of patrimony, attested by the same, to all orders.

William, son of Gilbert Cole of Elmeley, of Little Comberton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Worcester, to all orders.

Thomas Neuman of Dombelton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Roger Nicol of Staunton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

John Mayon of Ombresl', on the title of 20s., attested by the official of Worcester only.

1305. Henry de Wythingdon, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Geoffrey de Ikelford, in the diocese of Lincoln, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, to all orders.

John de Wythingdon, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

William de Adelmynton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

Nicholas de Syde, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

William de la Grene of Quenton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Richard de Wolston, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Nicholas de Todyngham, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, if he remains for three years, to all orders.

John Bone of Wenriche, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

Hugh Messenger of Aston Somervile, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

John de Wycheford, by order of the bishop.

Robert de Seggeberowe, by order of the bishop, at the instance of the official of Worcester.

John de Overbury, by order of the bishop.

Hugh de Bourton, on the title of the master and brothers of the hospital of S. James of London, to all orders.

William de Willareseye, by order of the bishop.

William called Tollemond of Teokesbury, by order of the bishop.

William de Staunton, by order of the bishop.

John de Wytheleya, at the instance of the abbot and convent of Alcester, to this order only.

John Moryn of Swyndon, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

John, son of Robert de Wenrich, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

William de Quenton, son of Walter Dod, on the title of patrimony, attested by the said official, to all orders.

Simon, son of John de Gardyns of Athereston, at the instance

of W. de Dalby, on condition that he again gives his title and remains for the year.

1305. Ralf Paunteleye of Northlech, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, on his undertaking to remain for two years, to all orders.

Peter de Sontford, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Roger le Mariscal of Gloucester, by order of the bishop; he undertakes to remain in this order for four years.

Adam de Gutyngg, by order of the bishop, at the request of the abbot of Wynchecombe.

William de Bredon, by order of the bishop.

Robert, son of Walter of Little Wormynton, by order of the bishop.

John of Worcester, of Bradewas, literate, on condition that he acquires a title.

William de Lechampton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, on condition he remain for two years, to all orders.

Richard de Malvern, by order of the bishop.

William de Sutton, on the title of the abbot of Westminster, to all orders.

Alan de Sudleye, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, undertaking to remain in this order for three years.

Henry de Aumbresl', by order of the bishop, at the request of Edmund de Grafton.

Walter Wodelond of Wythingdon, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, undertaking to remain for four years, to all orders.

Richard of Little Rysindon, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Worcester, for Persore.

William de Quenyngton, by order of the bishop.

Richard le Marischal of Gloucester, on the title of the hospital of S. Bartholomew, to all orders.

Adam de Snytnfeld, by order of the bishop, at the instance of the Friars Minors.

DEACONS.

1305. Bartholomew de Coveleye, rector of the church of Ebrithton.

Simon, rector of the church of Ierdeleye [Yardley].

John de Cerneye, rector of the church of Nategrave.

John de Grava, rector of the church of Culne S. Denis.

Robert de Farendon, rector of the church of Hardeberewe, in the diocese of Lichfield, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lichfield only.

Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll.

John de Bibury, on the title of the prior of the hospital of S. Bartholomew of Gloucester, to all orders.

John Gerard of Foxcote, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester.

Richard Gerard of the same place, on the title to which he was first admitted, because as literate he may acquire a new title.

Richard Thurstan of Cromb Simon, on the title, as above.

Henry Canoun of Stowe, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

John del Ovene of Preston, on the title, as above.

William de Estlech, on the title, as above.

Robert de Norton Lyndesey, on the title, as above.

Ralf Cokayne of Evesham, on letters dimissory of the abbot, to this order only.

Robert Reynald of Burton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, he remaining in that order for a year, without a title.

John Sely of Bristoll, on the title of the house of S. Mark, to all orders, he remaining for a year.

Nicholas Smith of Cirncestre, previously admitted on the vacancy, remaining for a year.

John Fort of Ameneye S. Peter, on the title, as above, remaining for a year.

George, son of Richard de Stodley, on the title, as above, remaining for a year.

John Smith of Ameneye, on the title, as above, he remaining for two years.

Richard de Goderyngton, on the title, as above, he remaining for a year.

1305. William de Saundervill of Morton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the dean of Blokeley, he remaining for a year.

William Lok of Preston, on the title, as above, he remaining for a year.

John de Sodyngton, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, he remaining for a year, to all orders.

Robert Prodomme, on the title, as above, he remaining for a year.

John le Rede of Prestebury, on the title, as above, he remaining for two years.

William le Northerne of Cheddeworth, on the title, as above, he remaining for two years.

Robert, called Carpenter, of Gloucester, admitted previously during vacancy, he remaining for a year.

John de Brihtlanton, on the title, as above, he remaining for three years.

John Neuman of Offenham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Eveshame, to all orders, he remaining for two years.

William de Rowell, previously admitted during vacancy, he remaining in the order for two years.

John de Dove in Doderhull, admitted during vacancy, he remaining for a year.

Walter of Coln Aylwyn, admitted before by G[odfrey], bishop, he remaining for two years.

William de Chaveryngworth, on the title, as above, he remaining for three years.

Thomas de Shirebourn, on the title, as above, he remaining for two years.

Adam de Swyndon, on the title, as above, he remaining for two years.

Walter de Stok Archer, previously admitted by bishop G[odfrey], he remaining for two years.

Guy de Torkedon, on the title, as above, he remaining for a year.

John de Bladynton, previously admitted during vacancy, he remaining for a year.

Richard de Bourton, on the previous title, he remaining for a year.

1305. Randulf of Marle Elyne, previously admitted during vacancy, he remaining for two years.

Hugh de Fraunkeleye, by order of the bishop, as previously admitted.

Richard de Liththirne, on the previous title, he remaining for a year.

John Fraunkeleyn of Slouhtre, on the previous title, he remaining for a year.

William Maudut of Fekham, previously admitted by J. de Burewell, he remaining for a year.

Robert de Ekynton, on the previous title, he remaining for two years.

John Lysane of Stowe, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester, he remaining for two years, to all orders.

John de Bradewas, on the previous title, he remaining for a year.

Thomas de Cherlecote, on the previous title.

John de Aston, previously admitted during vacancy, he remaining for three years.

Henry, called Grom, on the previous title, he remaining for three years.

Richard de Feckham, on the previous title, he remaining for three years.

Robert de Nethercote, on the previous title.

Adam de Kemeseye, on the title of patrimony.

PRIESTS.

Peter de Stanes, rector of the church of Sutton.

John Mile, rector of the church of Haseleye.

Thomas, rector of the church of Compton Wynyate.

John, vicar of the church of Biseleye.

Master William de Bonham, rector of the chapel of Crombe.

Walter Manel, on the previous title.

William of Hampton Meysy, on the previous title.

Richard of Great Resindon, on the previous title.

Richard de Dombelton, on the previous title.

Robert Steven of Kynton, on the previous title.

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Walter Flemyng, on the previous title.

John Tilleman of Wynchecombe, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester.

Henry Bulby of Warwick, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Geoffrey of Hampton by Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot.

John Civiteux of Prestebury, on the previous title.

Richard, called le Frenshe, of Wolston, on the title of the preceptory of S. Thomas of Acon, of London.

Nicholas de Cherlecote, on the title of the house of Teulesford, as before.

John, son of Patrick de Kynemersford, on the previous title.

John, son of Robert de Bek, on the title of patrimony, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Norwych.

Peter de Ameneye, on the previous title.

Richard Pentrich of Brimesgrave, on the previous title.

Walter de Staunton, on the previous title.

Robert But of Rodeberg, on the title of patrimony, admitted by G[odfrey].

Stephen de Tywe, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Robert, son of Richard de Pershore, on the previous title.

William de Wormynton, on the previous title.

Walter le Teynturer, on the title of the house of S. Bartholomew of Gloucester.

Hervey de Bilston, by letters dimissory of John de Everdon, dean of the King's free chapel of Wolverhampton.

Roger de Growsewolde, on the previous title.

Richard de Resindon, on the previous title.

William Hamond of Warwick, on the previous title.

Adam Spurn of Pershore, on the previous title.

John de Leya, previously admitted in the time of bishop G[odfrey].

Robert de la Trewe of the Salt Marsh, previously admitted in the time of [Godfrey?].

Richard de Pakwode, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, and on the title of the house of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick¹.

¹ Against this entry is written :—"pe. l. Harp."

1305. John Spenser of Wick, on the previous title.

Robert de Forhampton, by special permission of the bishop.

Walter de Humelcot, on the same title as at first.

John, son of Geoffrey de Ryppel, on the previous title.

William Smith of Ameneye, on the previous title.

Walter de Staneweya, on the title of patrimony, attested by the official of Gloucester.

Henry Sely of Suthcerney, on the previous title.

Henry de Dodemerton, by order of the bishop.

Robert of the same place, by order of the bishop.

Thomas de Holme, by order of the bishop.

William Ryche of Wych, by order of the bishop.

Richard Prodomme of the diocese of Lychfield and Coventry, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lichfield and Coventry.

Richard de Didebrok, by order of the bishop.

Nicholas de Phepsington¹, on the title of patrimony.

John de Slouhtre, on the title of patrimony.

John de Lench, on the title as previously.

John Bruby of Wolfreton, on the same title as at first.

Walter de Cotes in Cirnecestre, previously admitted in the time of G[odfrey].

Robert de la Were of Berga, on the previous title.

Adam de Hawe, because previously admitted in the time of G[odfrey].

Br. { Thomas de Shutteford, } of Bruera, by letters dimissory
 { Ralf de Eton, } of the bishop of Lincoln.

Robert, son of William Dell, and John de Welles of the diocese of Norwych, ordained acolytes by letters dimissory of the bishop of Norwych in the bishop's chapel in his manor at Hertilbury, the first Sunday after the feast of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist, 5 Kal. Jul., the said year.

License to John, rector of the church of Old Swyneford, priest, to study within the kingdom of England from the feast of S. Michael, 1305, for a year. Hertilbury, 4 Non. Jul., 1305, third year of consecration.

¹ See *ante*, p. 98.

1305. Order to the archdeacon of Gloucester or his official. To deliver custody of the church of Estynton to James de Thyknes, clerk, to whom the bishop has committed the same until the next ordination. Alvenechirch, 8 Id. Jul., 1305.

Institution of Robert de Ryppel, priest, to the perpetual chantry of the chapel of the Blessed Mary of Kydermynstre, vacant by the death of Peter, on the presentation of J. Byset, knight, lord of Kydermynstre, together with the community of the whole borough; he has the charge of continually celebrating the Mass of the Blessed Virgin in the same. Alvynechirch, 2 Id. Jul., same year.

License to Anselm de Gyses, rector of the church of Slymbrugg', subdeacon, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for three years. Bredon, 16 Kal. Sept., 1305, third year of consecration.

Benediction of brother John de Gloucester, abbot of Hayles, by the bishop, as the manner is, on making his profession, as follows:—I, brother John, abbot of Hayles, promise to show to thee, lord father W[illiam], bishop, and to thy successors to be canonically appointed, and to the holy see of Worcester, the subjection, reverence, and obedience enjoined by the holy fathers according to the rule of S. Benedict¹, saving our perpetual order. The parish church of Bredon, 15 Kal. Sept., same year.

Collation of Hugh de Babynton, priest, to the church of Rippel in the bishop's patronage, vacant by the resignation on the same date of Walter de Morton, last rector. He is inducted by John Caleys, clerk, 8 Id. Sept., in presence of Henry, chaplain, Walter, chaplain, William de Clif, William Prat, Simon de Fladebury, and others. Blockeleye, Non. Sept., same year.

(Folio 30*a*.) Collation of Walter de Morton, subdeacon, collated to the church of Hampton-upon-Avon, in the bishop's patronage, vacant by the resignation on the same date of Hugh de Babinton, last rector², and is inducted by master Thomas de Stratton. Blockeleye, Non. Sept., same year.

¹ Hayles was a Cistercian House.

² Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 429.

1305. License to Hugh de Babynton, rector of the church of Rippil, priest, to study from the feast of S. Michael next, for two years. Blockeleye, 6 Id. Sept., same year.

Similar license to William Levelaunce, rector of the chapel of Dicheford, from the feast of S. Michael next, for one year. Same date.

License to Hugh, vicar of the church of Tyso, priest, to go to Rome from the feast of S. Michael next until the feast of S. Peter in Chains following, in order to further his affairs in the Roman court. Tackeleye, 5 Id. Sept., 1305, third year of consecration.

Similar license to John, called Wolf, rector of the church of Watecote. Same date.

Institution of William de Eston, priest, to the church of Eccleshal, vacant by resignation of Peter de Eston, last rector, at the presentation of the prior and convent of Kenl¹. London, 16 Kal. Oct., same year.

License to Walter de Morton, rector of the church of Hampton-upon-Avon, subdeacon, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for seven years, during which term he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders. London, 16 Kal. Oct., 1305, third year of consecration.

Order to the archdeacon of Worcester or his official to deliver the custody of the sequestration of the vacant church of Radmerley to Adam de Herwynton, priest. Hilyngdon, 2 Non. Oct., same year, third year of consecration.

License to William de Apelton, rector of the church of Ryndecombe, to study within the Kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for seven years, during which term he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders, and may let his church to farm if he wish. Hilyngdon, 6 Id. Oct., 1305.

¹ Kenilworth. See Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 545.

1305. License to Robert Russel, rector of the church of Strengesham, subdeacon, to study for two years. London, 3 Id. Oct., same year.

Institution of brother John de Brocia, monk of the monastery of Conches, in the person of Richard de Stanford, proctor of the said convent, to the priory of Wotton, vacant by resignation of John de Avryoun¹; letters of institution and induction to the official of Worcester. London, 2 Id. Oct., same year.

License to Vincent, vicar of Inceberg [Inkberrow], priest, at the instance of J. de Burewell, to go to Rome in fulfilment of a vow, and in order to further his affairs there, letting his church to farm meanwhile, and returning before the feast of Whitsuntide. Same date.

Institution of Andrew de Lamborn, priest, to the church of Weston Brut, vacant by resignation of Gilbert Acketoft, last rector, on the presentation of John de la Sale of Lamborn; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. London, Id. Oct., same year.

(Folio 31.) Letter from brother John de la More, penitentiary of the pope, to the bishop. Earnestly requests him not to further interfere with Thomas de Beleye of his diocese, bearer of the presents, who, only having the first tonsure, has ministered in priest's orders in the diocese of Lincoln, and celebrated Mass before and after his marriage; for which he has received absolution, with imposition of the penance of returning to his wife and remaining in this union, as he is bound, the exercise of his orders and ascent to higher orders being for ever forbidden to him. The Lateran, 10 Kal. Dec., eighth year of the pontificate of Boniface VIII.

1303. Letter to the official of the archdeacon of Oxford. Sends the said Thomas de Beleye to him wholly absolved from the bishop's interference, with a copy of the foregoing letter, and charges him to deal according to his discretion with him and with the said woman, Agnes la Maystresce in Buriford, who is said to reside in his district. Alvynchirch, 7 Id. Jul., 1303.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.II.S., p. 527.

1303. Letter to William de Loriaco, chaplain of Queen M[argaret], offering him the church of Kynewarton, vacant by the death of the last rector, and requests his presence thereupon. Fladebury, 4 Non. Jul., first year of consecration¹.

Offer by the bishop of the said church of Kynewarton to the said William in person, who expressly refuses to be admitted thereto, and so departs, nothing gained. Alvynechirch, 3 Id. Jul.

Collation of Roger, called Beere, clerk, to the church of Kynewarton, in the bishop's patronage, vacant by the death of Bartholomew de Devysis, last rector. Alvynechirch, 2 Id. Jul.

Letter to the prioress of the house of the Blessed Mary Magdalene of Bristoll, to give complete satisfaction to Margery de Wodeford and Agnes, her sister, for two and a half marks or thereabout, which she has demanded and received from the tenant of half a virgate of land in the vill and territory of Weston S. Lawrence, where the said sisters live, assigned to them by Nicholas de Wodeford, deceased, for term of their lives, during which the prioress has no right therein. Alvynechirch, 5 Id. Jul., first year of consecration.

Certificate that Robert de Brueria had letters dimissory for all holy orders to any bishop of the kingdom of England, on the title of patrimony, by testimonial of the prior of Worcester, although he is a subdeacon, as he said after the signing of the said letters. 4 Id. Jul., said year.

Institution of Thomas de Helyon, acolyte, to the church of Eggeworth in the archdeaconry of Gloucester, at the presentation of Peter de Helyon. Alvynechirch, 3 Id. Jul.

Institution of Richard, called de Parys, acolyte, to the church of Torteworth, at the presentation of Nicholas de Kynggeston, knight, and has letters of induction to the official of Gloucester; saving the future autumn fruits to which Robert de Haslehawe,

¹ The text of this letter speaks only of "a certain church," but the marginal heading gives the name of Kynewarton. See Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 408.

last rector, has resigned his right, the said Richard, now instituted, likewise resigning his right therein before I. Caley, notary public, and others. Alvynechirch, Id. Jul.¹.

1303. Declaration by the dean of Hetham, that on the preceding day, Non. Jul., he inducted Robert de Cesternclede, priest, to the church of Strixton, in accordance with the recited directions of the official of the archdeacon of Northampton, dated Stoke, 5 Non Jul., 1303, reciting a letter to the same effect from J.², bishop of Lincoln, dated Bukeden, 6 Non. Jul., fourth year of consecration. Esseby, Id. Jul., 1303.

(Folio 31*d.*) Letter. The following was sent to the dean of Hampton to sequester the profits of the vicarage of Wellesburn, and to answer for the same, because the incumbent is dean of Warwick, and is instituted to the church of Strixton:—

To the dean of Hampton. Sequester the profits of the vicarage of Welesburn from 5 Non. Jul. last, when Robert de Cesterneslade, who calls himself vicar there, was instituted by J.², bishop of Lincoln, to the church of Strixton, in the diocese of Lincoln. Alvynechirch, 15 Kal. Aug., first year of consecration.

Order to the prior of Lantony, without Gloucester, and the dean of Gloucester, to demand from John Randolph, justice, John called Foun of Tottebyry, clerk, imprisoned at Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 9 Kal. Aug., 1303³.

Institution of Richard de Keten, priest, to the vicarage of Wellesbourn, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Kenill[worth], with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Alvynechirch, 10 Kal. Aug.

¹ This entry is crossed through, and in the margin is written:—Postea de precepto domini deleta fuit illa clausula, Salvis fructibus, etc.

² John Dalderby, 1300—1320.

³ Against this entry is written:—Litera liberationis J. Foun de gaola, per Aliciam vxorem eius missa.

1303. Appointment of William Russel and J. de Tykhull, clerks, as the bishop's proctors in the court of Arches until the feast of the Assumption next. Alvynechirch, 9 Kal. Aug., 1303.

Acknowledgment before the bishop by Richard de Keten, vicar of the church of Wellesburn, of a bond of ten shillings, which, according to his own confession, he was sentenced by the archdeacon of Huntingdon to pay to the bishop before the feast of All Saints next on pain of excommunication; and this he swore to do in hope of obtaining favour in his process, as is believed. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Aug., same year.

Order by R.¹, archbishop of Canterbury, to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester, on pain of the greater excommunication, to publicly inhibit, throughout the archdeaconry of Worcester, and especially in the church of Doderhill and neighbouring places, those who have publicly threatened to withdraw tithes and offerings from John de Middilton, clerk, on whom the archbishop has conferred the said church, the right of which had devolved on him, enjoining them to acknowledge the said John as rector, under pain of the greater excommunication; ordering an inquiry to be held as to the names of those who shall disobey, and that they be cited to appear before the archbishop wherever he may be in the province of Canterbury, on the sixth lawful day after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, to show cause why the sentence of excommunication should not be pronounced against them. Stibbenh', 2 Id. Jul., 1303, ninth year of consecration.

(Folio 32.) Letter from the bishop to the prior and chapter of Worcester. Exhorts them not to listen to the importunate request for confirmation of title by the chapter made by the possessors or tenants of certain demesne and leased lands given to the said persons by G[odfrey], the bishop's predecessor, for a long term, in some cases for life or for ever, under a moderate yearly-rent or none; since such confirmation would redound to the prejudice of their church. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Aug., first year of consecration.

¹ Robert Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

1303. Order to the dean of Warewyk to hear the cause of Maud Folevyle of Arewe [Arrow], who has complained to the bishop of her unjust disseisin by Henry Smith and Christina Grymbaud of the same place. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Aug., same year.

Authority to the abbot of S. Peter of Gloucester, the prior of Lantony, Walter de Stratton, the rector of the church of Hatherop and the dean of the same place. To demand from the King's justices, J. Randolph and J. de Fouxlee, J. de la Grave, a clerk, imprisoned at Gloucester. Bredon, 10 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Absolution by the Bishop, of Henry, rector of the church of Langeberwe, from the sentence of excommunication which he incurred on the occasion of a gift made to the King under the letters of Gentilis, cardinal priest of S. Martin in Montibus, and dispensation for the irregularity which he committed by interfering in divine matters, on condition that he perform any penance which the Apostolic See shall enjoin on him. Alvynechirch, 4 Kal. Aug.

Writ to the bishop to levy for William de Stodleye out of the ecclesiastical goods of Walter, parson of the church of Wolwardyngton, six marks, 9s. 4d., part of eight marks which he recovered against the said Walter before the justices at York, by a jury held before William de Bereford at Warwick; also 100s. adjudged to him as damages for detention of the said debt; and to sell the goods already sequestered of the said Walter, to the value of 16s., further part of the said eight marks; which he shall pay to the said William, the sheriff of Warwick having made return that the said Walter has no lay fee. The return to be made to the justices at York, from Michaelmas in fifteen days. Witness, R. de Hengham. York, 12 June, 31 Edward I.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Kal. Aug.

Return to the same:—Forty shillings have been levied of the ecclesiastical goods of the said Walter, and have been paid to William de Stodley by the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. More could not be levied this time.

1303. Order to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester to direct the dean of Pershore to induct Robert de Elmham, chaplain, to the church of Northpydel¹, in accordance with a recited letter of the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester, when acting by authority of the court of Canterbury in the administration of spiritualities in the city and diocese of Worcester during vacancy, dated Worcester, 4 Non. Feb., 1302; and to certify the said official thereof. Worcester, 4 Non. Feb., 1302.

Absolution of William Bildwas, excommunicated for laying violent hands upon Adam, clerk of Kemeseye, upon letters of the prior of Coventry on his behalf, having sworn that the injury was not severe. The following penance is enjoined on him:—He shall offer on the high altar in the church of the parish in which he struck the clerk, one candle of one pound of wax, and shall on three Fridays feed, on the first, three poor clerks, on the second, three poor women, on the third, three poor infirm men. Not dated.

Letter to master W. de Grenefeld, the King's chancellor. The bishop is bound, and will be ready, to obey the King's command in admitting a fitting person to the church of Newenton-upon-Coteswolde; nevertheless, since no letter of presentation has been offered to him, he has delayed to admit the King's presentee until he shall be canonically presented to the bishop. Meanwhile he will consider what will be best to do in the matter concerning which he has heard from the chancellor by H., letter-bearer. Alvynechirch, 2 Kal. Aug., first year of consecration.

(Folio 32*d*.) Order to the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury to re-admit within eight days, as their fellow-monk, Simon called Graunt, whom they have turned out of their community during his year of probation; otherwise the bishop will not refuse justice to the said Simon, who demands it for the third time, as former commands to re-admit him have been met by excuses. Alvynechirch, 2 Kal. Aug., first year of consecration.

Dispensation of illegitimacy for John Role, called de Charingworth, of Wynchecombe, clerk, in accordance with a recited letter,

¹ See *post*, p. 127.

of Pope Boniface VIII. Alvynechirch, 2 Non. Aug., 1303, first year of consecration.

1303. Institution of Nicholas de Eysi, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Preston, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Cirnecestre, with charge of continual residence; letters to the official of Gloucester. Blockeleye, 18 Kal. Oct.

Institution of John Donnclent, clerk, in the person of Richard de War', his proctor, to the church of Nategrave, vacant by resignation of John de Cerneye, on the presentation of G[uy], earl of Warwick; letters to the official of Gloucester. Bredon, 15 Kal. Oct.

Institution of Nicholas Comyn, clerk, to the church of Oseleworth, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester; letters to the official of Gloucester. 11 Kal. Oct.

Order to the abbot of S. Augustine of Bristoll to enquire concerning the conduct of the prior of the house of Langebrigg, of the bishop's patronage, who is said to squander and consume the goods of the said house; and if such is found to be the case, to appoint the dean of Dorseleye as coadjutor to the said prior, that the affairs of the house, both temporal and spiritual, may be ordered with his consent. Bredon, 9 Kal. Oct., 1303.

Institution of Thomas de Wylton, in the person of master John de Stratford, his proctor, to the church of Lappeworth, on the presentation of the master and scholars of the house of Merton, of Oxford; letters to the official of Worcester. Kemeseye, 8 Id. Oct.

Dispensation from illegitimacy for John de Barton, clerk, born of unmarried parents, upon inquisition by the official of Worcester. 8 Id. Oct., same year.

License to Nicholas le Boteler, rector of the church of Tanneworth, subdeacon, to study within the kingdom of England, from Michaelmas, 1303, for one year. Kemesey, 3 Id. Oct., same year.

1303. Institution of Roger Herberd to the chapel of Oldebury, vacant by resignation of Robert de Wilmyndon, last rector, on the presentation of the King as guardian of the daughter and heiress of Nicholas Burdon, knight; letters to the official of Gloucester. Hertelbury, 11 Kal. Nov.

(Folio 33.) Institution of Robert de Blundeston, in the person of Peter de Caldwell, his proctor, to the rectory of the church of Newenton upon Coteswold, on the presentation of the King for this turn; letters to the official of Gloucester. Hertelbury, 10 Kal. Nov. *

Institution of Simon de Salle, chaplain, to the vicarage of Wellesborn, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Kynilleworth, as perpetual vicar, with charge of continual residence; letters to the official of Worcester. Hertelbury, 19 Kal. Nov.

Collation of Walter, son of Simon Lycelyn of Morton, clerk, to the church of Ryppel in the bishop's patronage, vacant by resignation of J. de Stanewey, last rector¹, and he is instituted to the same, in the person of William de Apelton his proctor; the dean of Ryppel is directed to induct him. Alvynechirch, Non. Nov.

Institution of John de Baskervyle, acolyte, to the church of Coumbe Baskervile, vacant by the death of William de Tanaye, last rector, on the presentation of Richard de Baskervile, knight; letters to the official of Gloucester. Hampton, 4 Id. Nov.

License to Walter de Morton, rector of the church of Rippel, acolyte, to study within the kingdom of England or without, from the present date, for seven years, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year from accepting the charge of the said church. 3 Id. Dec., same year.

License to Robert, rector of the church of Suthcerneye, subdeacon, to study from the feast of the Annunciation next for four years. Alvynechirch, 4 Id. Dec.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., 354; see *post*, p. 127.

1303. Similar license to Stephen, rector of the church of Wolordeley [Wolverley]¹, deacon. [Not dated.]

Institution of William Pypard, priest, to the church of Warmedon, vacant by resignation of John Bracy², last rector, on the presentation of Robert de Bracy, knight; letters to the official of Worcester. Alvynechirch, 17 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of Richard de Wynton, subdeacon of Well', in the person of William de Bathon, priest, his proctor, to the prebend of Button, vacant by the death of W. de Sarden, on the presentation of S., bishop of Salisbury³; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. 16 Kal. Jan., same year.

Order to the archdeacon of Gloucester to induct the said Richard to the said prebend. [Not dated.]

Institution of W. de Boneham, subdeacon, to the chapel of Blessed Mary Magdalene of Crombe Abetot, vacant by resignation of J. Abetot, last rector, on the presentation of Osbern Abetot⁴; letters to the official of Worcester. Alvynechirch, 13 Kal. Jan.

Institution of Roger, called Herberd, acolyte, to the chapel of Oldebury, on the presentation of the King; letters to the official of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 12 Kal. Jan.

Institution of Simon de Sutton, deacon, in the person of Richard, called Bachiler, his proctor, to the church of Lenche Rocolf, on the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick; letters of institution, but not of induction, because the inquisition found not whether the said church was vacant in fact. Alvynechirch, 10 Kal. Jan.

Letters of induction of the said Simon to the official of Worcester, the incumbent of the said church having resigned by letter. Hembury, 2 Id. Mar.

Institution of Peter de Barton, subdeacon, to the church of Buddebrok, on the presentation of sir Ralf de Hengham. The

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 524.

² Ib. 532.

³ Simon de Ghent, 1297—1315.

⁴ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 546.

said Peter promises, in the bishop's presence, to save him harmless touching a dispute between the said Peter and J. de Curthingstok, lately presented to the said church. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Jan.

1303. (Folio 33*d*.) Orders celebrated by William, bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, the feast of S. Thomas, apostle, 1303, in the parish church of Bromesgrave.

SUBDEACONS.

William de Stoketh, rector of the church of Mellyng, in the diocese of York, by letters dimissory of the archbishop of York.

Walter, rector of the church of Rippill.

William, called le Ryche, of Wytton, on the title of 16*s*., attested under the seal of the official of Worcester, to the order of subdeacon, only.

Roger de Grousewolde, on the title of 60*s*., attested under the seal of the official of Worcester, to all orders.

Robert de le Were, on the title of 40*s*., attested under the seal of the dean of Poywyk, only.

Richard, rector of Torteword.

Peter, rector of Budibrok.

DEACONS.

Robert de Baddesey, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to all orders.

John de Yerdeley, on the title of patrimony of two marks, as above in the Register, and he is told to produce letters attested under the seal of the official of the place.

Nicholas de Batheneston, vicar of Stanedishe.

Henry de Barndesley, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bebury, and he is ordered as above.

Walter de Donmawe, by letters dimissory of the bishop of London.

Walter de Asley of Henley, on the title of patrimony, as above in the Register.

Henry de Malgeresbury, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe only.

Walter de Newenton, on the title of Richard de Brakenberow, as above in the Register, and he is ordered to bring letters attested

by the official when the bishop shall come into those parts, and deliver it under the seal of the official, to all orders.

1303. Henry of Aston Somervyle, on the title of patrimony, as above in the Register, and he is ordered as above.

Richard de Peyncryche of Bromesgrave, on the title of patrimony, proved by Geoffrey Sarre, John Vawes, sworn on condition that he, etc., before the feast of S. Hilary.

Roger de Somerby, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Roger de Lee, vicar of Stoke Giffard.

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| Br. John de Shirleye, | } by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lychfield and Coventry ; of the house of Kenylword. |
| Br. Hugh de Westbury, | |
| Br. Robert de Pershore, | |

PRIESTS.

Andrew, rector of S. Peter the Great of Worcester.

Robert, called Leche, of Warwyk, on the title of patrimony, as above in the Register, by order of the bishop.

Richard Abraham, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of the archdeacon of Worcester.

Philip, son of Richard de Alecestre, on the title of the prior of the Holy Sepulchre.

Walter de Hatherop, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Feyreford.

William de Stretton, by letters dimissory of the administration of Lychfield and Coventry.

William Lewe of Bromesgrave, on the title of patrimony, and he is to bring as above.

William de Dersyngton, on the title of patrimony, and he is to bring, as above, within fifteen days.

Nicholas Horn, *portionarius* of the church of S. Nicholas of Warwyk.

Henry de Cerneye, on the title of patrimony, approved by the prior of Worcester.

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| Br. Henry de Coventry, | } by letters dimissory of the Bishop of Lychfield and Coventry, of the house of Kenylword. |
| Br. John de Pype, | |
| Br. Robert de Rodrington, | |

Institution of Nicholas de Bathoneston, deacon, to the vicarage of Stanedysse, at the presentation of the abbot and convent

of S. Peter of Gloucester; letters to the official of Gloucester. Brymesgrave, 12 Kal. Jan.

1304. Institution of Robert de Elmham, priest, to the church of North Pydelee¹, on the presentation of Henry de Segrave, knight; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Alvynechirch, 3 Non. Jan.

License to Richard, rector of the church of Torteworth, subdeacon, to study from the present date for three years. Horton, Kal. Mar., 1303.

(Folio 34.) License to Peter de Barton, rector of the church of Buddebrok, to study for two years. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Jan.

Appointment of William de Appelton, clerk, as proctor, by Walter, son of Simon Lycelyne of Morton, clerk, of the diocese of Lincoln, presented to the church of Rippel. Sealed with a seal described as follows:—"Sigillum fuit aliquantulum rotundum in quo fuit sculptus vnus leo iacens super cuius dorso exierunt rami cuiusdam arboris in summitate quorum ramorum fuit vnum capud clerici et in circumferensia est scriptum Sigillum Walteri Lycelin de Morton clerici." Oxford, 4 Id. Aug., 1303.

Certificate of the official of the archdeacon of Stowe to the bishop that, by witness of trustworthy men of his native parts, Walter, son of Simon Lycelyn of Morton, clerk, is a free man and legitimate, of good and upright conversation, and of lawful age to obtain an ecclesiastical benefice if offered to him. Sealed with a seal described as follows:—"Sigillum predictum officialis Stowe fuit longum in quo fuit sculpta quedam ymago clerici stantis in quodam tabernaculo induti quadam capa, in cuius circumferencia fuit scriptum Sigillum Officialitatis Archidiaconatus Stowye." Lincoln, 10 Kal. Sept., 1303.

License to Philip, rector of the church of Aston Cauntelou, to be absent from the present date to the feast of S. Michael next, in order to attend upon Lady Isabel de Hastings, receiving the fruits of his church meanwhile; provided that the said church

¹ See *ante*, p. 121.

be not defrauded of the services, and that due alms to the poor of the parish are paid by the rector himself. Alvynechirch, 7 Id. Jan., 1303.

1304. Institution of Robert, called Clerk, priest, of Gloucester, to a perpetual chantry in the church of the Holy Trinity of Gloucester, appointed by the testament of John de Stonhusse for his soul, on the presentation of Robert de Sandhurst, executor of the said testament; letters to the archdeacon or dean of Gloucester. Blokleye, 15 Kal. Feb.

Institution of Robert, called Ware, of Bristoll, subdeacon, to the Church of S. Laurence of Bristoll, on the presentation of Robert, called le Ware, of Bristoll; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester or the dean of Bristoll. Blockeleye, 14 Kal. Feb.

License of non-residence to Walter de Rudham, rector of the church of Lyhtthirne, from the feast of S. Michael last, for three years, on condition that the said church be not defrauded of its due services or the cure of souls neglected, and that the said rector give yearly during the said term twenty shillings to the poor of the parish by the hand of the dean, and acknowledge all charges, as is fitting¹. Blockeleye, 8 Kal. Feb., 1303.

Institution of John de Abyndon, priest, to the church of Dontesborn Militis, vacant by resignation of Roger called Rous, last rector, on the presentation of John le Rous; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Wythingdon, 4 Kal. Feb., same year.

Institution of Roger de Solers, clerk, to the chapel of Schipton, with cure of souls, vacant by resignation of Robert de Solers, last rector, on the presentation of William de Solers; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Wythindon, Kal. Feb.

(Folio 34*d*.) License for R., rector of the church of Slouhere, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Wythingdon, 3 Kal. Feb.

¹ For a previous License see Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 146.

1304. Institution of John de Donclent, subdeacon, in the person of William de Harpetot, his proctor, to the church of Sallewarp, vacant by the death of John de Harlascot, last rector, on the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Bybury, 4 Id. Febr., 1303.

License to John, rector of the church of Kydermynstre, to attend upon the abbess of Wyllton and his other lords, if he have such, with advice and service, from the feast of S. Michael, 1303, for a year, receiving the fruits of his church meanwhile, on condition that the church be served by a lettered and upright chaplain and other fitting ministers, that the rector pay the charges, and himself go to the said church in time of vacancy, there to stay edifying both by word and example, and that, on peril of conscience, he aid the poor of the parish according to his power. Hampton, 3 Id. Nov., same year.

License to John, rector of the church of Ryndecomb, to study until the feast of S. Michael next. 13 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of Philip of Goodrich Castle, chaplain, to the chapel of Mattesdon, with cure of souls, vacant by the death of Hugh le Boor, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester. Cirnecestre, 12 Kal. Mar.

The said Philip has letters of institution and induction to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hembury, 10 Kal. Apr.

Institution of Simon de Dun, subdeacon, to the church or chapel of Burton, with cure of souls, on the presentation of Robert de Harnhull, knight; letters to the dean of Blockeleye. Cirnecestre, 12 Kal. Feb.

Institution of Thomas de Aldulvestre, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Wykewane, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Bordesley, with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bybury, 10 Kal. Mar.

1304. License to Walter de Kemeseye, rector of the church of S. Martin of Worcester, at the request of W., bishop of Bath and Wells¹, to attend upon him from the present date for three years, letting his church to farm meanwhile to any ecclesiastical person of upright conversation, on condition that it is served by a lettered and upright chaplain and other fitting ministers, and that the rector assist the poor of the parish according to his power. Bybury, 9 Kal. Mar., 1303, second year of consecration.

Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, at Bibury, on Saturday in the first week of Lent, 1303, second year of consecration.

SUBDEACONS.

Robert, son of Henry de Scoter, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, on the title of the prior and convent of Toukeseye, to all orders.

Richard de Dyddebrook, on the title of the Master of the Knights Templars, to all orders.

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| Thomas Helyon, rector of the church of Eggeworth | } Beneficed. |
| Roger, rector of the chapel of Oldebury | |

DEACONS.

Robert, rector of the church of S. Lawrence of Bristoll.

Nicholas de Cherlton.

PRIESTS.

Peter, rector of the church of Kemeseye.

Nicholas, vicar of Stondyshe.

William of Merston Meysi, on the title of the prior of the hospital of S. John of Crekelade.

(Folio 35.) License to Richard, rector of the church of Thonmerton, subdeacon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Bybury, 7 Kal. Mar., 1303, second year of consecration.

Similar license to Thomas, rector of the church of Eggeworth. 5 Kal. Mar., 1303.

¹ Walter Hasselshaw, 1302—1308.

1304. Letters dimissory for John Torald of Quenyton, subdeacon, to any bishop of the kingdom of England. Saperton, 5 Kal. Mar.

Institution of Richard de Inkepenne, acolyte, in the person of Henry de Mathine, clerk, his proctor, to the church of Frompton, vacant by resignation of Roger de Sowir', last rector, on the presentation of the King as guardian of the lands of the heir of Robert Walrand; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Same date.

Collation of John Caleys, clerk, to the church of S. Martin of Astlech [Eastlech], the collation of which has devolved on the bishop by reason of the negligence of the prior and convent of Great Malvern¹ as appeared at his late visitation of the deanery of Fayreford, saving the right of future patrons. The said John has letters to the dean of Fayreford, by whom he is inducted, in the person of John de Elnest, his proctor, 5 Non. Mar. Bybury, 5 Kal. Mar., second year of consecration.

License to Thurstan, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet, acolyte, to study any general study within the kingdom of England, from Michaelmas next for one year, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year of accepting the charge of the said church. Westbury, 2 Id. Mar., same year.

Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, in the church of Westbury, on Saturday on which is sung the office *Sitientes*, 1303.

ACOLYTES.

Thurstan, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet.

Godefrey de Ford, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Exeter.

¹ In 1282 the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury were patrons, and the Church was then called S. Andrew's; see Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 166. In the Sede Vacante Register William de Bonham was admitted in 1307 by the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury, p. 86. In 1313, Thomas de Brithe-

ampton is spoken of as rector of Estleech S. Martin, p. 152; and in 1361, John Smith was presented by the prior and convent of Great Malvern, p. 204. [Qy. was this Eastleech and S. Martin Eastleech?] See *post*, p. 142.

SUBDEACONS.

1304. John, rector of Ryndecomb.

Thomas de Wenrych, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester only.

Walter de Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowye.

Richard Gregory, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

DEACONS.

John de la Scherde, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

William de Stoketh, rector of the church of Mellyng in the diocese of York, by letters dimissory of the archbishop of York.

Alan de Haunepenne, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynchecombe.

William de Badmynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Hauk'.

Robert, son of Henry de Scoter, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

John de Welschote, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bristoll.

PRIESTS.

Peter of Southbiffenham, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Walter de Newenton, on the title of patrimony, as above in the Register.

Richard de Wormynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Robert Warre, rector of the church of S. Lawrence of Bristoll.

Geoffrey of Weston-under-Egge, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bristoll.

Roger Corbet shall have a title under the seal of the dean of Bristoll.

License for John, rector of the church of Ryndecomb, deacon, to study until the feast of S. Michael next. 2 Kal. Maii, 1304.

1304. (Folio 35*d.*) Resignation of Roger de Lee, deacon, vicar of Stoke Giffard, before the bishop, of his right in the said vicarage, in presence of W. de Stoket, Richard de Keynesburg, and J. Caleys, the bishop's notary. Hembury in the Salt Marsh, 9 Kal. Apr., same year.

Collation of Roger de Somerby, of the diocese of Lincoln, deacon, in his absence, to the said vicarage of Stoke Giffard, and he has letters of collation but not of induction. Afterwards he is inducted by the dean of Bristoll. Same date.

Collation of Walter de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, although absent, to the prebend of Aust', in the collegiate church of Westbury, vacant by the death of Peter de Leycestre, in presence of B. de Feriby and Gilbert de Coringham. His letter of collation is prepared by J. Caleys. Hembury in the Salt Marsh, 7 Kal. Apr., same year, the beginning of the fourth year.

Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, at Hembury in the Salt Marsh, on Easter eve, 1304, second year of consecration.

SUBDEACONS.

Roger de Solers, rector of the church of Shypton.

Walter de Stanwaye, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bristoll, but which is of no value, by order of the bishop.

DEACONS.

John, rector of Ryndecomb.

Richard de Matheme, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester, to all orders.

PRIESTS.

William de Stoketh, rector of Mellyng, in the diocese of York, by letters dimissory of the archbishop of York.

John Flour of Blockeleye, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the same place.

Robert Scot of Bristoll, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the same place.

1304. Institution of Richard de Matheme, deacon, to the vicarage of the church of Haukesbury, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Pershore, with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hembury in the Salt Marsh, 6 Id. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Well', priest, in the person of John Magge of Well', his proctor, to the church of Horton, vacant by resignation of Henry de Derby, last rector¹, on the presentation of William Burnel, prebendary of Horton; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hembury in the Salt Marsh, 4 Id. Apr., same year.

License to Roger, rector of the church of Pokelchirch, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for a year, similar license for the preceding year having been already granted to him. Wyntreborn, 17 Kal. Maii, 1304.

Institution of John de Batsford, priest, to the church of Pebbemore, vacant by resignation of William de Eramavile, who was not of lawful age, on the presentation of William Schymplingford; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Wyntreborn, 17 Kal. Maii.

License for Robert de Bluntesden, rector of the church of Neuton-upon-Coteswold, to study from 10 Kal. Nov., 1303, on which date he was instituted to the said church, for seven years, during which he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year after his institution to the said church. Wyntreburn, 16 Kal. Maii, same year.

The said Robert has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Same date.

License to T. de Wytton, rector of the church of Lappeworth, at the request of W. Burnel, provost of Welles, to study for four years. Camme, 6 Kal. Maii, same year.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 509.

1304. (Folio 36.) Letters dimissory for Thurstan, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet, acolyte, for his ordination as subdeacon, at the request of J. Bloyhon. Camme, 6 Kal. Maii, same year.

Institution of John de Someri, acolyte, in the person of William de Lenche, his proctor, to the church of Bishampton¹, vacant by the death of Robert de Neuwynton, last rector, on the presentation of Robert de Someri; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. The priory of Lanthony by Gloucester, 2 Non. Maii, 1304.

Grant of the custody of the priory of Astleye to Stephen de Meisiaco, monk of S. Taurinus, in absence of Ralf de Porter, last prior², until the feast of the Assumption next, on condition that meanwhile the bishop be certified of the resignation of the said Ralf, and that a fitting person for the office of prior be presented by the said abbot and convent. Gloucester, 7 Id. Maii, same year.

License to Gilbert de Foxeleye, rector of the church of Little Compton, subdeacon, to study from the present date for two years. Teukesbury, 2 Id. Maii, same year.

License to Peter de Stanes, rector of the church of Sutton, subdeacon, to study from the present date for two years. Linc(oln), Ascension day, 1303.

License to William Brun, rector of the church of Longgedon, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael, 1304, for two years, within the kingdom of England or without. Bredon, 17 Kal. Jun., 1304.

License to Henry de Wonecote, rector of the church of Bunyn-ton, dean of Warwick, subdeacon, to study from the day of the Holy Trinity next for two years. Bredon, 12 Kal. Jun.

Institution of Gilbert de Mursleye, clerk, to a prebend in the collegiate church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, vacant by the death of P. de Leycestre, on the presentation of G[uy], earl of Warwick; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 12 Kal. Jun.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 537.

² Ib. p. 526.

1304. License to Walter de Blythe, rector of the church of Stratton, priest, to study from the feast of S. Michael, 1304, for three years, within the kingdom of England or without. Bredon, 9 Kal. Jun., 1304.

Institution of John Mile, subdeacon, to the church of Haseley, vacant by resignation of William Ege of Gloucester, on the presentation of the prior and convent of the Holy Sepulchre of Warwick. Bredon, 6 Kal. Jun.

Grant of the church of Overbury, *in commendam*, to Peter de Peryton, priest, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester, the said Peter showing a letter of inquisition made thereon by the official of Gloucester; in presence of B. de Feriby, T. de Stratton, Roger de Tackeleye, W. de Stokheye, and J. Caley. Bredon, 4 Kal. Jun., same year.

Order to the official of Gloucester to deliver corporal possession of the church of Overbury to the said Peter, to whom the bishop has granted the same, *in commendam*, for six months. He has letters patent of the same date. Same date.

(Folio 36*d*.) Orders celebrated by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, at Rippill, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, eve of the Holy Trinity, 1304, second year of consecration.

SUBDEACONS.

Walter Meryel, on the title of John de Rodeberowe, by order of the bishop.

Walter de Lenchewyk, on the title of the abbot of Evesham ¹.

Walter, called Flemyng, of Stowe, on the title of patrimony, approved under seal of the official of Worcester only.

Nicholas, son of William Rouge of Berlynscothe, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Tredyngton, to all orders.

William Meisi of Hampton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

¹ Against this entry is written :—*iste fecit scribi literas suas in vanum.*

1304. Geoffrey of Hampton by Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to all orders.

Thomas de Kynemasford, on the title of the house of S. John of Lycehelad only.

John Bruly of Wolforton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester, to all orders.

Robert Wood of Yerdeley, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester, to all orders.

Nicholas de Cherlecote, on the title of the house of the Holy Trinity of Theulesford.

William Smith of Amenity, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

William de Morton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Blockeley only.

John Fort of Amenity, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John de Uffeham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham only.

Richard de Goderyngton, on the title of the prior and convent of the hospital of Blessed Mary without the Gate, London.

William Maudut, by order of the bishop, on the instance of J. de Burwell.

John de Wanneswotton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

Simon de Arnyngworth, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, at the instance of Nicholas Warr', by order of the bishop.

Robert de Burton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

John de Sloustre, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Richard of Little Resingdon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Adam de Swyndon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Wynchecombe.

} on condition, etc.

Henry Young of Morton, }
Richard de Ingeholde, } by order of the bishop, without title.

Richard, son of Richard Miller of Fladebury, on the title of a certain chantry in the church there.

1304. Ralf Ilger of Preston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Caumpden, on condition, etc.

John Godefray of the same place, on the same title, on condition, etc.

Walter de Hulmencote of Coveley, by order of the bishop, at the instance of Richard de Brokberg.

John Tilleman, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, which the dean of Wynchcombe has, and he shall pay 100s. to the bishop under penalty.

John, rector of the church of Combe.

Robert de Ekmerton, on the title of patrimony, approved under seal.

DEACONS.

William, *portionarius* of the church of Morton Daubeney.

Ely, rector of the church of Haselton.

Walter Austyn of Norton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, to all orders.

John Kene of Dunameney, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

John Marescal of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, shown at first.

John de Derlyngscote, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Tredyngton, to all orders.

Thomas de Marsfeld, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

Edmund Brun, by order of the bishop, by Stokech'.

Henry de Dodemerton, on the title of the abbot of Malmesbury only.

Alan de Prestbury, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Walter of Little Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, on condition, etc.

John of Merston Meysi, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John Chopyn of Stratford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of the same place, shown at first.

John Man, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bristoll, on condition, etc.

1304. John Punteys of Bachesovere, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Blokley, only.

Thomas of Compton Wynyate, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

Walter de Tadelestrop, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, on condition, etc.

Adam Benfiz of Astelecche, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, on condition, etc.

Roger, rector of the chapel of Oldebury.

Robert de Seymesbury, by order of the bishop, attested by Thomas de Stratton.

John de Rippill, by order of the bishop, by W. de Cliff.

Robert of Little Resindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Walter de Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe, on condition, etc.

Richard de Dyddebrok, on the title of the master of the Knights Templars.

Henry Morine of Twenyng, on the title of patrimony, approved before by the official of Worcester.

John de Stowe, on condition that he come again with sufficient title, to be ordained priest.

Nicholas Thoralde of Hampton Meysi, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Roger, son of Thomas le Fraunkeleyn of Little Compton, on the title of the abbot of Bytelesden.

Walter de Staunton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Gloucester, on condition, etc.

John Pyparde of Pershore, on the title as previously in the Register.

Adam de Watecote, on the title of patrimony, not approved on condition that he come, etc.

Walter de Stanwey, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bristoll, on condition, etc.

William de Pershore, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean, shown before.

Master Andrew de Asseborn, prebendary of Knoueshall, by letters dimissory of the diocese of Lychfield and Coventry.

Alexander, rector of the church of Flavel.

1304. Robert Beke of Burton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Thomas de Wenriche, on the title of patrimony, approved before by the official of Gloucester.

Robert de Stowe, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

Thomas de Matheme, on the title as previously in the Register.

William Syde, rector of the church of Wynston.

William Philippe of Alveston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Hampton, on condition, etc.

PRIESTS.

Roger de Somerby, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln. He is vicar of Stoke Giffard.

John Archer, rector of Preston.

Walter de Saunford, by order of the bishop, at the instance of the abbot of Bristoll.

Robert de Badeseye, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

John de Langberowe, on the title of the abbot of Oseney.

Henry de Kynemersford, on the title of the master and brothers of the hospital of Lecchelade.

Richard de Stokton, on the title of a corrody, approved by the prior of the cathedral church of Worcester.

John of Merston Meysi, on the title approved by the official of Gloucester.

Gilbert de Lokesleye, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean and rector of Hampton.

Henry de Malgareshury, on the title of patrimony approved by the dean of Stowe.

Henry de Barndesley, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Bybury.

William de Badmynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Alan de Haunepenne, on the title of patrimony, approved by the said official.

John Agu, on the title of the prior of Great Malvern.

William, called Freman of Hampton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

1304. John Byri, of Newton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Nicholas Kynshot, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

John de Staunton, on the title of patrimony, delivered at Kydermynstre¹.

Geoffrey of Merston Meysi, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

William de Mukelton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Richard, vicar of Haukesbury.

William, son of Ralf de Lecchelade, on the title of patrimony, of moderate value.

Walter de Campeden, by order of the bishop, attested by Thomas de Stratton.

Peter Gilberd of Bunyngton, by order of the bishop, as above.

Thomas, son of John de Clyve, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Persore.

John de Yerdeleye, on the title of patrimony, approved by master Roger de Tackeley.

Robert de Kynemersford, on the request of lady Mar², the King's daughter, by order of the bishop.

John of Hampton Corby, on the title of the prior of the hospital.

Robert de Scoter, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Walter de Defford, on the title shown previously, as appears in the Register.

Thomas, son of Robert de la Hoo, by letters dimissory of John de Everdon, dean of the King's chapel of Wolvernehampton, and by order of the bishop.

William de Shreborn, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

John de Dodeley, by order of the bishop.

Nicholas Rycheman, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Henry of Colde Aston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Stowe.

¹ Against this entry is written :—iste fecit scribi literas suas in vanum.

² Margaret, daughter of Edward I., married John of Brabant,

1304. John de Benyggeworth, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John de Tanggeleye.

Thomas Thursteyn, by order of the bishop.

John de Dyddebrok, on the title shown before.

John de Bromesgrave, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Poywyk.

Hervey, son of William de Bilston, by letters dimissory of the dean of the King's free chapel of Wolverhampton¹.

Institution of J. Caley to the church of S. Martin of Astlech², on the presentation of the prior and convent of Great Malvern; the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester or the dean of Fayrford is directed to induct him. Kemeseye, Id. Jul., same year.

1305. (Folio 37.) A.D. 1305, third year of consecration.

License to Adam de Caple, rector of the church of S. John of Gloucester, deacon, to study from the feast of S. Luke, Evangelist, next, for two years. London, 17 Kal. Nov., 1305.

Institution of James de Thykenes, clerk, to the church of Estynton, vacant by the death of Henry de Poppam, last rector, on the presentation of sir Hugh de Aldytheleye, Knight; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. London, 15 Kal. Nov., same year.

The Register in the time of master W. de Wotton, archdeacon of Huntingdon, vicar general of W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, from Thursday next after the feast of S. Luke the Evangelist, 12 Kal. Nov., 1305, third year of consecration, on which day the bishop crossed the sea to the Roman Court.

Institution of Hugh de Barndesley, priest, as perpetual vicar of the church of Aston³, vacant by the death of William de

¹ Against this entry is written:—falso — and after the entry:—qui non venit sed quidam Rogerus falso confingens se vocari

Herveum fecit se ordinari et falso subtucint nomen suum.

² See *ante*, p. 131.

³ White Ladies Aston.

Seggeberowe, on the presentation of the prioress and convent of Wystan, with charge of continual residence; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Hampton-upon-Avon, 17 Kal. Dec.

1305. Letters dimissory for Wolstan, rector of the church of Morton Bruyt, subdeacon, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for the orders of deacon and priest. Hampton-upon-Avon, 12 Kal. Dec., same year.

Institution of William de Sheldon, acolyte, to the church of Hamptone, vacant by the death of Richard de Morton, last rector, on the presentation of John de Morton; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 8 Kal. Dec., same year.

Institution of John de Thormerton, priest, to the church of Staunton, vacant by the death of John de Suede, last rector, on the presentation of Robert, lord of Staunton; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 2 Non. Dec., same year.

Letters dimissory for John de Grava, rector of the church of Culn S. Denis, deacon, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, holding an ordination after the feast of S. Lucy; on condition that within a month after the ordination he proves he has received the said orders. Bredon, 7 Id. Dec., same year.

Similar letters dimissory for Adam de Ouleberwe, rector of the church of King Stanley, acolyte, on the same condition. Same date.

Letter by the vicar general¹ to Walter de la Flagge, abbot elect of the Premonstratensian monastery of Hales². License to receive blessing from Thomas, bishop of Whithern, who is expected in those parts, or from any bishop having the grace of the Apostolic See. Bredon, 6 Id. Dec., 1305.

¹ Robert de Gloucester(?). See Giff. Reg., pp. 489 and civ.

² Halesowen,

1305. Letters dimissory to the said abbot for the ordination of brothers Henry de Bromewych, Robert de Alesleya, John de Waleshale, and Philip de Bromewych, canons of his house, at the ordination to be held in the diocese of Worcester by Thomas¹, bishop of Whithern, after the feast of S. Lucy, Virgin, next. Same date.

Petitions by the abbot of Beckwell and the said abbot of Hales, for the said letters dimissory and license.

Letters dimissory for James de Thykenes, rector of the church of Estynston, clerk, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for all minor orders and for the order of subdeacon; on condition that before Easter next he proves the orders he has received. Bredon, 6 Id. Dec., same year.

Grant of the custody of the sequestration in the chantry of the chapel of Rupe, vacant by resignation of Robert de Sudbury, to John le Grete, priest, until the feast of the Purification: on condition that meanwhile he confirm the right, which is disputed of Philip de Gayton, steward of the earl of Warwick, to present to the said chantry; otherwise, he will gain no subsequent right or possession therein, by reason of the said custody. Bredon, Id. Dec., same year.

(Fol. 37*d*.) Institution of John called Somervyle, of Aston, to the church of Aston Somervile, vacant by the death of Robert de Curtlingstok, last rector, on the presentation of Hawise, called Somervile, lady of Aston aforesaid; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 18 Kal. Jan., same year.

Letters dimissory for the said John Somervile, clerk, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for all minor orders. Bredon, Id. Dec., same year.

Institution of John de Cirnecestre, priest, to the perpetual chantry in the hospital of S. Margaret of Gloucester, vacant by

¹ MS. :—S.; but in the preceding entry *Simon* is crossed through and *Thomas* is written above it.

the resignation of Ely, chaplain, on the presentation of the abbot of Gloucester, with charge of perpetual residence and continual celebration of divine service; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 16 Kal. Jan., same year.

1305. Institution of Ingelardus de Warle, clerk and acolyte¹, as is said, in the person of J. de Bradewas, his proctor, to the church of Croppethorn, vacant by the resignation of P. de Piriton, last rector², at the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester; letters to the official of Worcester. Bredon, 16 Kal. Jan., same year.

Letters dimissory for Robert le Blake, clerk, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for all minor orders. Bredon, 14 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of John de Marisco of Colesbourn, priest, to the perpetual chantry in the chapel of S. Nicholas of Aumeleye, vacant by the death of Richard, chaplain, at the presentation of the prior and canons of Dodeford, with charge of continual celebration of divine service; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Kemeseye, 6 Kal. Dec., same year.

Letters dimissory for Robert, abbot of the monastery of Kyngeswode, for the ordination of Thomas de la Felde, William de Tettebury, John de Tydalsith, Ralf de Tettebury, William de Morton, Richard de Raventon, and Walter de Douhton, monks of his house, by the bishop of Landaff, or any other bishop of the province of Canterbury. Bredon, 3 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of William de Dalby, acolyte, to the church of Athereston, vacant by resignation of Roger le Baler, last rector, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Teokesbury; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bishop's Hampton, 6 Id. Jan., same year.

Letter by the vicar-general to J., prior of Stodleye³. Absolves him from the sentence of excommunication incurred by paying

¹ *post*, p. 149.

² Inducted 1298. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 507.

³ Probably John de Wytenhull. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 394.

taxes to the collectors of the King of England in contravention of the new constitution of Boniface VIII., and dispenses him from the irregularity he has committed by afterwards celebrating divine service, for which offence he had been suspended for a month from the exercise of his orders ; on condition that he swear to obey the commands of the Pope and Roman Church, and to perform any penance imposed on him : in accordance with a recited letter, dated Lyons, 9 Kal. Dec., first year of the pontificate of Clement V.¹, from Berengarius, bishop of Bourges, the Pope's penitentiary, whom the prior besought to obtain the Pope's mercy on the ground that he paid the taxes from fear of losing his temporal goods, and not voluntarily or in contempt of the church. Hampton-upon-Avon, 7 Id. Jan., 1305.

1306. Institution of Robert de Syleby, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Cherlecote, vacant by the death of J.², at the presentation of William de Lucy, lord of the said place, with charge of continual residence ; letters of induction only to the dean of Hampton. Afterwards, letters of institution dated at Hampton, 2 Id. Jul., 1306. Wotton, Id. Jan., 1305.

(Folio 38.) Order by the vicar-general to the prior of Lanthony by Gloucester, the dean of Gloucester and Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael³ of the same place. To demand clerks or other ecclesiastics indicted at Gloucester before J. Botetourt, William Haward, and Nicholas Frembaud, justices. Wotton, Id. Jan., 1305.

Appointment, by the vicar-general, of the dean of Gloucester and Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of the same place, to demand clerks indicted at Gloucester or Bristol before J. Botetourt, William Haward, Nicholas Frembaud, and Robert de Harewedon, justices, and to keep the said clerks according to the law and custom of the kingdom of England. Wotton, Id. Jan., 1305.

License from the vicar-general to J. Botetourt, William Haward, Nicholas Frembaud, and Thomas de Snyterton, justices, to hold

¹ Bertrand Goth, Archbishop of Bordeaux, was elected Pope Clement V. at Perugia in July, 1305. See as to the election, *ante*, p. 16.

² John de Wike. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 261.

³ Richard de Walepol. *Ib.*, p. 524.

pleas of novel disseisin and assise of mort d'ancestor, on Thursday next after Ash Wednesday of the present year, provided that they are not prolonged after that day. Bredon, 3 Id. Feb., 1305, fourth year of consecration.

1306. Institution of Robert le Blake, acolyte, to the church of Kydermynstre, vacant by resignation of John de Ulbeton, last rector¹, on the presentation of the prior, brothers and sisters of Mayden Bradeleye, in the diocese of Salisbury; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 2 Id. Feb., same year.

Letters dimissory for J., prior of Lanthony, for the ordination as acolyte of Henry of Stony Stratford, canon of his house. Bredon, 16 Kal. Mar., same year.

License to the prior of Worcester by the vicar-general to exercise the required office towards public penitents in the church of Worcester on Ash Wednesday next; at the request of J. Brevel, monk of Worcester, made on the prior's behalf in presence of the vicar-general. Bredon, 2 Id. Feb., same year.

Letters dimissory for William de Sheldon, rector of the church of Hamptonet, acolyte, to any Catholic bishop for the order of subdeacon, at the ordination to be held in the first week of Lent, on condition that he procures a release from the inhibition of the court of Canterbury. Bredon, 15 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of Roger called Corbet of Chadd', acolyte², of lawful age according to an inquisition held by the official of Worcester, to the church of Chaddesley, vacant by the death of Clement, last rector, at the presentation of William Corbet; letters to the said official. Bredon, 14 Kal. Mar., same year.

Letters dimissory for John called Wale of Crockeberowe, subdeacon, to any bishop (blank) Apostolic See, for the order of deacon, at the ordination to be held in the first week of Lent next. Bredon, 13 Kal. Mar., same year.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 128, *ante*, p. 80,

² Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 518.

1306. Institution of Reginald le Porter of Pershore, subdeacon, to the church of Burnton, vacant by the death of Robert de Curtelingstok, last rector, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of Evesham; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 10 Kal. Mar., same year.

Letters dimissory for the abbot of Teokesbury for the ordination as priests of Henry Guge, Henry de Hansso, and William de Ledon, and as subdeacons, of John de Aston, Roger de Hereford, and William de Eldresfeld, monks of his house, by the bishop of Hereford, in the first week of Lent. Bredon, 7 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of Nicholas de Stafford, acolyte, to the church of Brochton Belne, vacant by the death of Ralf de Haggeley, last rector, at the presentation of lady Joan de Sudleye; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 6 Kal. Mar., same date.

(Folio 38*d*.) Institution of Reymund de Mora, acolyte, to the church of Seynesbury, vacant by resignation of Reginald le Porter, last rector, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of Evesham; letters to the dean of Blockeleye. Wythingdon, 17 Kal. Apr., 1305.

Grant by the Bishop of the custody of the sequestration of the church of Beverston to John de Kyrseby, clerk. Wythingdon, 17 Kal. Apr., same year¹.

Institution of Giles de Baggeshovere, clerk, to the church of Aston Cauntelou, vacant by resignation of Philip de Kerby, last rector, on the presentation of John de Hasting'; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 15 Kal. Apr., same year.

License to Adam de Ouleberewe, rector of the church of King Stanley, subdeacon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Bredon, 14 Kal. Apr., same year.

¹ This is the first entry which shows that the bishop had returned from the Roman Court (see page 142); the words used are

Dominus Wygorniensis Episcopus commisti custodiam.

1306. Institution of Ralf le Blound, clerk, to the church of Hampton Lovet, vacant by resignation of Thurstan de Hampslape, last rector, on the presentation of Peter le Blound; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, 12 Kal. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Ardyngton, clerk, to the chapel of Sudley [Sudeley], with cure of souls, vacant by resignation of Nicholas de Stafford, last rector¹, on the presentation of John de Sudley, knight; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 11 Kal. Apr., same year.

Admission of Michael de la Stane, priest, *in commendam*, for six months, to the church of Saperton, vacant by the death of Walter de Cirnecestre, last rector², on the presentation of William de L'Isle, lord of Saperton; letters to the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 11 Kal. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Everdon, subdeacon, as rector of the church of Stowe S. Edward, vacant by resignation of Reginald de Wykewane³, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Evesham. Bredon, 10 Kal. Apr., same year.

Letters dimissory for the said William, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for the orders of deacon and priest. Same date.

Letters dimissory for Ingelard de Warle, rector of the church of Croppethorn, acolyte⁴, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for all holy orders. Bredon, 10 Kal. Apr., same year.

The year of the Lord, 1306.

Institution of Henry de Herwynton, clerk, by proxy, as rector of the church of Rydmarleye, vacant by resignation of Adam de Herwynton, made orally to the bishop, on the presentation of Geoffrey Dabetot, lord of Rydmarleye⁵. Bredon, 6 Kal. Apr., 1306.

¹ Instituted 1295. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 466.

⁴ *ante*, p. 145.

² Instituted 1298; ib. 494. See *post*, p. 152.

⁵ *In personam Walteri* is added at the end of the entry, and the surname is not given.

³ Instituted 1300; ib. 539.

1306. Grant *in commendam* of the church of Nategrave, vacant by the death of John de Cerney, for six months, to Reginald Tayleawe, priest, having the sole benefice with cure of souls, at the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick. Bredon, 6 Id. Apr., same year.

License to William Brun, rector of the church of Longedon, subdeacon, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the feast of S. Michael, 1306, for a year. Little Malvern, 2 Id. Apr., same year.

License to Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll, deacon, to study from the present date until Michaelmas next. Bredon, Id. Apr., same date.

License to Gilbert, called Surft, subdeacon, rector of the church of Cromhale, to study canon law and theology within the province of Canterbury, from the present date until the feast of S. Michael, 1307. Bredon, 8 Id. Apr., 1306.

(Folio 39.) License to Roger, rector of the church of Pokelchurch¹, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for two years. Blockeleye, 18 Kal. Oct.

License to Andrew de Bornhull, rector of the church of Grafton under Flavel², subdeacon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Bredon, 10 Kal. May, same year.

License to Henry de Wonecote, rector of the church of Bunnington, subdeacon, to study from the day of the Holy Trinity next for two years. Bredon, 7 Kal. Maii, same year.

License to Geoffrey, rector of the church of Abbot's Morton, priest, to let his church to farm from the present date for two years, to any fitting person of honest conversation, by whom the condition of the said church may be bettered, for the relief of his debts, and especially for his liberation from a deed, by which he is bound unjustly as he asserts. Alvechirch, 2 Kal. Maii, same year.

¹ Giff, Reg., W.H.S., p. 536.

² *ante*, p. 78.

1306. License to Reymund de Mora, rector of the church of Seynesbury, acolyte, to study within the province of Canterbury from the present date until the feast of S. Michael, 1307, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year of his institution to the said church. Alvynchirch, 6 Non. Maii, 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Institution of William de Oupton, priest, as canon, to the prebend in the collegiate church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, vacant by the death of Nicholas de Haad, at the presentation of Guy; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Hertelbury, Non. Maii, same year.

License to Giles de Baggeshovere, rector of the church of Aston Cauntelou¹, to study within the province of Canterbury, from the present date for two years, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year of his institution to the said church. Hertelbury, 7 Kal. Jan., 1306, fifth year of consecration.

Institution of Adam de Eglesfeld, priest, by William de Cotes, his proctor, as rector of the church of Beverston, vacant by the death of Thomas de Avenyng², on the presentation of the King, by reason of the vacancy of the monastery of S. Peter of Gloucester; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hertelbury, 3 Id. Maii, same year.

Consecration at Hartlebury of John Toky, abbot elect of the monastery of S. Peter of Gloucester, by the bishop who celebrated Mass in his chapel. The abbot makes profession in the following form:—"In the Name of God, Amen. I, brother John Toky, abbot elect of the church of S. Peter of Gloucester, profess to the cathedral church of Worcester, and to thee, Father William, bishop of Worcester, and to thy successors canonically entering, I promise faith, reverence, canonical subjection and obedience, and this I subscribe with my own hand." Letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester to instal him, and to the monks of the

¹ See *ante*, p. 148.

² Instituted 1283. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 174.

said house and others ministering in the same, enjoining them to obey and serve the said brother John, as abbot. Hertelbury, 8 Kal. Jun., same year.

1306. License to Peter le Blount, rector of the church of Hamslep, of the diocese of Lincoln, deacon, who has letters dimissory of J.¹, bishop of Lincoln, for his ordination as priest by R.², bishop of Hereford, to be ordained by him at Prestebury. Hertelbury, 8 Kal. Jun., same year.

Institution of Michael de Stane, priest, to the church of Saperton, vacant by the death of Walter de Cirnecestre³, last rector, on the presentation of William de L'Isle, lord of Saperton; letters to the official. Wyke by Worcester, 5 Kal. Jun., same year.

Grant *in commendam* of the church of Wytmertton, vacant by the death of Walter de Chilterham, last rector, to William de la Mare, priest, having the sole benefice with cure of souls; for six months according to the last council of Lyons. Hertelbury, 4 Non. Jun., same year.

Presentation of William de Wreden hale, chaplain, to the bishop by the preceptor and brothers of the hospital of S. Wolstan of Worcester, and admission as a brother of the said hospital. The cathedral church of Worcester, Saturday, eve of the Holy Trinity, 1306.

(Folio 39d.) Orders celebrated in the cathedral church of Worcester by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor Temporum*, eve of the Holy Trinity, 1306, fourth year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

Giles de Baggeshovere, rector of the church of Aston.

Ralf le Blound, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet.

John Brisete, by letters dimissory of the vicar of the bishop of Norwyck, who is absent.

¹ John Dalderby, 1300—1320.

² Richard Swinfield, 1283—1317.

³ Instituted 1298. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 424. See *ante*, p. 149.

1306. Luke Mathei, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Coutances.

Robert de Saundebey, by letters dimissory of the archbishop of York.

SUBDEACONS.

Roger Corbet, rector of the church of Chaddesle.

Robert le Blak, rector of the church of Kyderminstre.

William de Dalby, rector of the church of Athereston.

Nicholas de Stafford, rector of the church of Beln Brouhton.

Henry de Haselton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester, to this order only.

John David of Lenchewyk, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Adam de Aldesworth, on the title of patrimony, approved by the said official, to all orders.

Henry de Hardepyr', of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, approved by the said official, to all orders.

Henry King of Todynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same, to all orders ; he may remain for two years.

Walter de Assewell, on the title of the brothers and sisters of the hospital of S. James without London, and the rector of Langeberg, to all orders ; he may remain for two years.

John de Cotes of Kynton, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Worcester.

Robert de Grouneswold, on the title of patrimony, approved by the said official.

Adam de Kynton, on a similar title.

Richard of Upton Snodebury, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of the English cardinal ¹.

William de Saperton, by precept of the bishop, on the title of the archdeacon of Gloucester.

William de Grafton, by permission of the bishop, at the instance of the prior of Worcester.

Richard Prodomme of Brymesgrave, on the title of 16s., by writ of the bishop.

¹ Francis Neapoli, Cardinal of S. Lucia, archdeacon of Worcester.

1306. John Kyng of Worcester, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of his official.

John de Lemyngton, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of the warden of Worcester, who answered before for the sufficient title for which he wished to answer.

William de Slouhtre, on the title of patrimony, to all orders ; he may remain for three years.

William de Pidele, on the same title, to all orders ; he may remain for three years.

William of Lower Slouhtre, on the title of 50s., approved by the official of Gloucester.

Simon de Bekford, by writ of the bishop, on the instance of the friars of Worcester.

William Aylward of Preston, on the title of the master and brothers of the hospital of Crekelade.

Nicholas de Hynton, on the title of the abbot and convent of Bitlesden.

Richard "de Camera Eveshamie," by letters dimissory of the abbot of the same place.

William de Kynemersford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of the archdeacon of Gloucester.

Reginald de Eggeworth, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

Henry de Fayrford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

William de Fayreford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

John King of Aston Somervyle, on a similar title.

Edmund Malitorn of Kynemerford, on the same title.

Richard de Aldrinton, on a similar title.

John of Barton in Henmersh, on the title of patrimony, under the seal of the dean of Tredinton.

John Weaver of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John of Naylesworth in Gloucester, on the same title.

William Hankyn of Great Compton in Henmersh, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Tredynton.

Roger de Dunteshorn, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

1306. Jordan de Preston, on a title approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Peter de Bekford, by writ of the bishop, on the instance of brother J. de Aston.

William, son of John de Clyve, on the title of one mark, by precept of the bishop.

Thomas de Hethrop, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

William de Egleshale, on the title of the prior of the hospital of S. John of Jerusalem.

Richard de Quenton, by special permission of the bishop.

Robert of Great Bernyngton, on a title approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

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| Brothers | { | Robert de Malmesbury, | } | by letters dimissory of |
| | | Thomas de Kyngeswode, | | the abbot of the same. |

William of Aston-under-Egge, by special permission of the bishop.

John, son of Roger le Heyberare of Gloucester, on the title of patrimony, by the official of Gloucester.

William Hepe of Gloucester, on the title of 20s., approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Martin de S. Maryna, on the title of the burgesses of Bristoll.

John Boven-ton of Coln S. Aylwyn, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Walter de Haselton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same official.

William de Shireborn, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

Richard Beudesert of Wynchecomb, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the same.

John de Opthrop, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

Simon de Edmundescote, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Tredington.

Henry Seryd of Rendewyk, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same official.

John de Bladynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

1306. William de Bynnynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

William de Morton, on the title of the master and brothers of the hospital of S. Wolstan of Worcester.

Adam de Fourches of Crophorn, on the instance of the prior of Worcester, by writ of the bishop.

Edmund de Bishampton, on the title of 16s., approved by the official of Worcester, attested by the warden.

Robert de Bladynton, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester, to all orders.

William of Hulle Morton, by writ of the bishop.

Robert de Alne, on the title of two marks, approved by the official of Worcester.

Robert de Chirindon, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

Gilbert de Snyderfeld, by writ of the bishop.

DEACONS.

Adam de Ouleberwe, rector of the church of King Stanley.

Richard Lugore, rector of the church of Sohirst, in the diocese of Cicestre, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Cicestre.

Thomas de Helyoun, rector of the church of Eggeworth.

James, rector of the church of Estinton.

William de Sheldon, rector of the church of Hamptonet.

Robert, rector of the church of Upper Slouhtre.

Brother John de S. Cross of Bruer, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Geoffrey de Parco, rector of the church of Beghton, in the diocese of Norwych, by letters dimissory of the vicar of the bishop, who is absent.

Richard de la Felde, by writ of the bishop, as previously.

Thomas Croume of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of the same.

William Totlemounde of Teokesbury, by writ of the bishop, as above.

John de Overbury, by writ of the bishop, as above.

Robert, son of Walter de Wormynton, by writ of the bishop, as above.

William de Adelmynton, on the title of patrimony, as above.

1306. Walter, called de Thurstan, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, as above.

William de Sutton, on the title, as above; he may remain for a year¹.

Richard of Honyborn in Wynchecomb, admitted before; he may remain for a year.

Roger Nichol of Staunton, on the title of patrimony.

William de Staunton, admitted before by writ of the bishop; he may remain for a year.

Robert de Seggeberwe, admitted before by writ of the bishop; he may remain for a year.

Thomas Neuman, of Dombelton, on the title, as above; he may remain for a year.

Geoffrey de Hampton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham, as above; he may remain for a year.

John Shaverib of South Cerney, on the title, as above.

John de Etyndon, on the title, as above.

Hugh Stob of Warr', admitted before.

John Mayer of Aumbresl', on the title, as above.

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Peter de Sanford, on the title, as above.

Thomas de Poywik, admitted before, during vacancy².

Henry Sauvage of Kynemerford, on the title, as previously.

William Dod of Quenton, on the title, as above.

William de la Grene of the same place, on the title, as above.

Nicholas de Todenham, on the title, as above.

Hugh of Aston Somervyle, on the title, as above.

Robert de Paxford, admitted before, by precept of the bishop.

John Amary of Worcester, admitted before.

Henry de Sobbury, on the title, as previously.

Richard de Wolston, on the title, as above; he may remain for two years.

Adam Antony of Warr', admitted before.

Hugh de Bourton, on the title, as above.

Richard Mariscal of Gloucester, on the title, as above.

¹ Against this entry is added:—not admitted by the bishop before, but now erroneously without letters dimissory, because he is of the jurisdiction of Evesham.

² That is between the death of Giffard

and the enthronement of Ginsborough. He was ordained subdeacon at Worcester by the Bishop of Llandaff, Sept., 1302, S.V. Reg., p. 23, on the title of patrimony.

1306. John de Wythindon, on the title, as above ; he may remain for two years.

Henry de Wythindon, on the title, as above ; he may remain for two years.

Nicholas de Syde, on the title, as above ; he may remain for a year.

John, son of Peter de Saltmarshe, admitted before.

John, son of Robert Neubold, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham ; he may remain for four years.

Richard de Morton, on the title, as previously ; he may remain for two years.

Adam de Gutyng, admitted before.

Henry atte Gate of Bladynton, on the title of patrimony ; he may remain for a year.

John Moryn of Swyndon, on the title of patrimony ; he may remain for two years.

Robert de Grafton, ordained before by bishop G[odfrey].

Alan de Sudleye, on the title of patrimony ; he may remain for a year.

William de Quenyton, admitted before, by writ of the bishop.

Nicholas de Burford, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Adam de Snyderfeld, admitted before, by writ of the bishop.

William de Wolaston in Swyneford, on the title, as above.

William de Willareseye, admitted before.

John de Wycheford, by writ of the bishop.

William de Lekhampton, admitted before ; he may remain for two years.

William Gylemyn of Derhurst, admitted before ; he may remain for two years.

William, son of Gilbert Cole of Elmeleye, on the title, as above.

John de Hertelbury, ordained subdeacon by G[odfrey].

Simon, son of John de Gardyns of Athereston, on the title, as previously.

John de Nethercote, on the title, as previously ; he may remain for two years.

Walter de Wodelond, on the title, as previously ; he may remain for two years.

John, son of Robert de Wenrich, ordained before.

1306. Henry Despenser of Aumbresl', ordained before.

John Bon of Wenrich, on the title, as previously.

Geoffrey de Warewyk, ordained by G[odfrey].

William de Wormynton, admitted before.

William de Doudeswell, admitted before.

Richard de Rysindon, admitted before.

Hugh de Blabynton, on the title, as previously.

PRIESTS.

John Waryn, rector of the church of Upton-upon-Severn.

Richard de Bray, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Ely.

Henry de Wychenor', by letters dimissory of the bishop of Coventry and Lychfield.

Nicholas, son of William Rouche of Derlingford, on the title of patrimony, approved by the dean of Tredington.

William de Astlech, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Robert de Stowa, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Thomas Bedel of Kynemerford, on the title, as above.

Adam de Langeberwe, on the title of patrimony, as above, under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

William Lok of Preston, on the title of patrimony, approved by the same.

Robert Reynald of Boruhton, literate, as above.

John de Sodynton, on the title of patrimony, as previously.

John Fraunkeleyn of Lower Slouhtre, on the title, as above.

Henry Canoun of Stowe, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

Walter of Coln S. Aylwyn, ordained by bishop G[odfrey].

Ralf Cokayne of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot.

John Gerard of Foxote, on the title of patrimony, as above.

Randulph of Marle Clyve, ordained before.

Robert Prodomme of Great Kynton, on the title of patrimony, as above.

John del Ovene of Preston, on the title, as above.

William le Northerne of Cheddeworth, on the title of patrimony, approved by the official of Gloucester.

John le Rede of Prestebury, on the title, as previously.

Thomas de Marsfeld, on the title, as previously.

William de Doudeswell, on the title, as previously.

George, son of Richard de Stodleye, on the title, as above.

Thomas de Cherlecote, on the title, as above.

Ralf e Preston, on the title, as above.

John Fort of Ameneye, on the title, as previously.

Walter de Quenton, on the title, as previously.

John Godefrey of Preston, on the title, as at first.

William de Charingworth, on the title, as above.

Guy de Torkedon, on the title, as above.

Robert de Ekynton, on the title, as above.

John called Mey of Northlech, ordained by G[odfrey], and during vacancy.

John Neuman of Uffenham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Robert of Norton Lindesey, on the title, as previously.

John de Bladynton, ordained during vacancy.

Adam de Kemeseye, on the first title.

Richard de Bourton, on the first title.

Hugh de Fraunkel', by writ of the bishop, at the instance of W. de Grandissono.

Henry Toky of Chelmondescote, ordained before.

John de Bybury, on the first title.

Richard de Lythirne, ordained before.

Richard de Fekeham, ordained before.

Robert de Nethercote, on the title, as previously.

Ralf Brutoun of Longedon, ordained by G[odfrey].

John Sely of Bristoll, on the title, as previously¹.

Adam Fraunceys of Worcester, ordained by G[odfrey].

Reginald de Wycombe of Bristoll, on a title attested by the dean of Bristoll.

William Saundrevyle of Morton, on the title, as above.

John Wale of Crokeberwe, on the title, as above.

William Maudut, ordained on the title, as above.

Richard Gerard of Foxcote, on the title, as above.

William de Welneford, on the title, as above.

John of Ameneye S. Cross, ordained by G[odfrey].

¹ Against this entry is added :—Memorandum : he had letters of the archdeacon of Huntingdon.

1306. Nicholas de la Berewe of Fekenham, on the title, as previously.

William de Rowell of Peplinton, ordained during vacancy.

John, son of Adam de Wennecote, ordained during vacancy.

John de Brihtlanton, on the title, as above.

Roger de Duddeleye, ordained previously by the bishop.

William de Stokeswell of Morton, on the title, as above.

John de Doveria of Doderhull, on the title, as above.

Robert called Carpenter of Gloucester, ordained by G[odfrey].

Henry le Grom of Ilmyndon, on the title, as above.

Henry de Eldesfeld, ordained by G[odfrey], on the title of 30s., by the official.

William called Brasour of Evesham, on the title, as above.

John Wyhous of Cirnecestre, on the title, as above.

Nicholas Smith of Cirnecestre, on the title, as above.

John of Great Bernynton, by writ of the bishop.

(Folio 40d.) Institution of Miles de Cirnecestre, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Marston Botyller, vacant by the death of Roger le Bor, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Alyncestre, with charge of perpetual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Hertilbury, 3 Non. Jun., same year.

Institution of Adam de Walecote, priest, to the church of S. Clement of Worcester, vacant by resignation of Henry, called de Herford, last rector, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. 2 Non. Jun., same year.

Admission of William de Wymbervylle, canon of the monastery of Osneye, to the cure of souls in the parish of Bibyry¹, until the feast of S. Michael next. Hertlebury, 7 Id. Jun., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Institution of William de Staneway, subdeacon, to the church of Bradwas, vacant by the death of Walter le Ster, last rector², on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. 4 Id. Jun., same year.

¹ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 545.

² Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 345.

1306. License to Ralf, rector of the church of Collesborn¹, priest, to let his church to farm from the present date for three years to any ecclesiastical person of honest conversation, for the relief of his debts, for which he is bound to various creditors, on account of his long imprisonment. Alvynechirch, 15 Kal. Jul., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Institution of Robert de Wynton, acolyte, to the church of Camme, vacant by resignation of John de London, last rector², on the presentation of the King, by reason of the vacancy of the monastery of S. Peter of Gloucester; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. 12 Kal. Jul., same year.

Profession by Walter de la Flagge, abbot of the Premonstratensian monastery of Hales[owen], of canonical obedience, in presence of the bishop, in these words:—In the Name of God, Amen. I, Walter, abbot of the monastery of Hales, of the Premonstratensian order, in the diocese of Worcester, profess to the church of Worcester canonical subjection, reverence and obedience, and to thee Father, lord William, by the grace of God bishop of Worcester, and to thy successors canonically entering, I promise faith and canonical subjection, and this I subscribe with my own hand. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Jul., same year.

Resignation of William Russell, canon of the said house, vicar of the parish church of Hales[owen], of the said vicarage into the bishop's hands³. Same date.

The bishop ratifies the blessing bestowed upon the said abbot by the bishop of Whitherne. Same date⁴.

Institution of John de Malvernys, priest, to the church of S. Aldath of Gloucester, vacant by the death of Roger de Derhurst, last rector, on the presentation of the prior of Derhurst; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 7 Kal. Jul., same year.

¹ Ralf de Northon, instituted 1291. See Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 406.

² Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 494. The vacancy was between the election of John de Gamage and the election of John Toky. See *ante*, p. 151.

³ Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 287.

⁴ See *ante*, p. 143. The bishop being abroad, the vicar-general gave the abbot leave to be consecrated by the bishop of Withern.

1306. Institution of William de Fraunkeleye, canon of the monastery of Hales[owen], priest, as perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hales[owen], vacant by resignation of brother William de Doddell¹, at the presentation of the abbot and convent of the said monastery; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Bredon, Kal. Jul., same year.

Collation of James de Bruera, clerk, to the church of Wydeford, of which the collation has devolved on the bishop for this turn by reason of the disagreement of the various patrons which has lasted for six months and more. Fladebury, 6 Non. Jul., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Institution of Robert Tanckard, priest, in accordance with the papal dispensation granted to him, to the prebend commonly called the deanery, with the cure thereto annexed, in the collegiate church of Blessed Mary of Warrewyk, on the presentation of Guy de Beauchamp, earl of Warrewyk.

The canons and other ministers of the said church are enjoined to serve him as dean. Hampton-upon-Avon, 6 Id. Jul., same year.

(Folio 41.) License to Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Gloucester, priest², to visit the Roman Court or Apostolic See, on pilgrimage, on condition that he return before the feast of S. Martin next. Hampton-upon-Avon, 4 Id. Jul., 1306.

License to Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to let his church to farm to Thomas de Wycham, rector of the church of Swaleclive, in the diocese of Lincoln, for the next five years, for the relief of his debts; also, license to the said Thomas to take the said farm. Thomas takes oath, in the bishop's presence, to save the bishop harmless, during the said five years, from all claim by occasion of any royal writ against the said Simon, and to replace the fruits of the soil of the said church during his term. Simon takes oath, in the bishop's presence, to bind himself to no one in any payment during the said five years without the bishop's license, and faithfully to observe the present agreement. In the presence of Benet de Feriby, Alan de Horncastell, Henry, called Blakemon, of Tettebury, brother Nicholas, monk

¹ See last page. ² Richard de Walepol, instituted 1300. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 524.

of Eynesham, Robert de Compton, esquire of the said Thomas, and Gilbert de Coringham, clerk. Hampton, in the bishop's chamber, 12 Kal. Aug., 1306.

1306. License to Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, priest, to let his church to farm from the present date for five years, to Thomas de Wycham, rector of the church of Swaleclive, in the diocese of Lincoln, for the relief of his debts, in which he is bound to various creditors for various causes. Hampton-upon-Avon, 12 Kal. Aug., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

Agreement between Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, in the diocese of Worcester, of the one part, and Thomas de Wycham, rector of the church of Swaleclive, in the diocese of Lincoln, of the other. Simon, with the bishop's permission, lets to farm his church to Thomas, for a term of five years from the present date, with corn and hay, herbage and rents, reserving altar dues and four marks sterling yearly, to be paid to him by Thomas at the feasts of S. Michael and the Annunciation. Thomas to satisfy the following creditors, viz., Roger de Beaufoy in 46*l.*, Hugh de Barton in 30*l.*, Robert called Blound in 10*l.*, Adam de Goldyngham in 4*l.*, Walter de Stok in 4*l.*, Alan de Honncastell in four marks, to be paid at Oxford, and the abbot and convent of Eynesham in 4*l.* 8*s.*, being arrears of a yearly pension of 40*s.* due to them from the said church, and to continue to pay the said yearly pension during his said term, and to Ralf le Mercer of Oxford 30*s.* To himself he shall allow 67*l.*, and shall bear the charge of procurations, impositions of tithes, taxations and exactions demanded by the archbishop of Canterbury, the diocesan, archdeacon, and other ministers, and all other ordinary and extraordinary charges on the said church during the said term; except that the said Simon shall provide two chaplains, one deacon, a bowl for a lamp, a lamp, incense, bread, wine, four torches, and bell-ropes. If Simon should die during the said term, Thomas to have the right of prosecuting for the payments to creditors beyond the profits of the church received by him. He shall rebuild, when necessary, at his own charges, the granges for corn and hay, the granary, ox-house, and long chamber, with one stable, to which he shall have free ingress and egress; the other houses remaining to Simon,

The court shall be maintained by him at his charges. At the end of the term the church shall revert to Simon with all damages and expenses incurred through Thomas ; who shall deliver to Simon acquitances of his debts, and the bonds which shall come into his hands on payments of debts. If Thomas shall die during the said term, the church shall revert to Simon within a year from his decease, any sum which Thomas may have paid to creditors beyond the profits of the church received by him being repaid, according to the decision of the diocesan. All which the said Thomas will observe under penalty of twenty marks sterling in aid of the Holy Land, to be paid whenever he shall make default in part of the present agreement. Indenture sealed with the seals of the said Simon and Thomas, and of the bishop. Hampton-upon-Avon, 12 Kal. Aug., 1306.

1306. Consecration of John de Horseleye, abbot elect of the canons of S. Mary de la Dale, in the diocese of Coventry, of the Premonstratensian order, by license of the bishop of Coventry, from whom he shows letters remaining in the archives, and makes profession in these words:—I, brother John, to be ordained abbot of the canons at the title of S. Mary de la Dale, promise to father Walter¹, bishop, and to the see of the holy church of Lichfeld, the subjection and reverence appointed by the holy fathers, and obedience according to the precept of the sacred canons ; saving my order. Hampton-upon-Avon, Non. Aug., same year.

Letters dimissory for William de Ardynton, rector of the chapel of Sudleye, acolyte, to any Catholic bishop for the order of subdeacon. Hampton, 5 Id. Aug.

(Folio 41*d*.) License to William de Shirebourn, rector of the church of Daylesford, priest, to set forth on pilgrimage to the Apostolic See, in fulfilment of a vow, on condition that he return before the feast of the Purification next, if he can conveniently do so. Tredynton, 14 Kal. Sept., 1306.

Grant *in commendam* to Michael de Staines, priest, of the church or chapel of Dowdeswell, vacant by the death of John de Doud', last rector, for six months, on the presentation of

¹ Walter de Langton, 1296—1321.

William de Dowdeswell; letters of induction to the dean of Wyth', and letters patent *de commenda*. Bredon, 10 Kal. Sept., same year.

1306. Institution of Adam de Caple, deacon, by J. de Wythin-don, priest, his proctor, to the church of Iwele, vacant by the death of Robert de Lech', last rector, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 9 Kal. Sept., same year.

License to William de Dalby, rector of the church of Adreston, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year. Bredon, 6 Id. Sept., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

License to William Levelaunce, rector of the chapel of Disford Frary, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year. Kemeseye, 11 Kal. Oct., same year.

Orders celebrated in the cathedral church of Worcester, by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday next after the feast of S. Matthew, Apostle, 1306, fourth year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

Ingelard de Warle, rector of the church of Croppethorn.

William, son of William de Welle, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Norwych.

SUBDEACONS.

Ingelard de Warle, rector of the church of Croppethorn.

Robert de Sandeby, by letters dimissory of the archbishop of York, on the title of the burgesses of Evesham.

John, son of Walter de Lincoln, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, of his special grace.

Robert de Welle, by letters dimissory of the bishop of North-wych, on the title of the abbot of Evesham.

Abel le Joene, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, on the title of the prior of the hospital.

John de Wycombe, on the title of patrimony, attested under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

1306. Master Richard called Bachelor, *portionarius* in the church of S. Nicholas of Warwick.

John de Dombelton, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of brother Walter de Cnoll.

John, son of John Nichol of Quenton, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of the rector of the same place.

Robert, son of Ralf de Kempston, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

David de Gutying, presented to the vicarage of the same place.

Adam de Wychio, on the title of the abbot and convent of Bytlesden.

John of Stowe S. Edward, on the title of patrimony, attested under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Philip of Great Wormynton, on the title of patrimony, attested under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Henry de Stowa, on the title of patrimony, attested under the seal of the official of Gloucester, approved.

John Fraunceys, rector of the church of Kyrkebrid, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Carlisle.

John de la Corner of Quenton, by permission of the bishop without title.

Ralf, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet.

John de Aldeword, on the title of patrimony, attested under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

William de Routheleye, }
William de Upton, } on the title of master de Grafton.

Richard de Swyndon, at the instance of master J. de Rod', by writ of the bishop.

Robert de Wynton, rector of the church of Camme.

James de Bruera, rector of the church of Wydeford.

Reginald de Coleby, of the diocese of Lincoln, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

DEACONS.

John, rector of Bladynton.

Simon de Dun, rector of the chapel of Burton.

John, rector of the church of Bishampton.

Robert, rector of the church of Kydremynstre.

1306. Robert de Middleton, on the title, as above, by writ of the bishop.

John de Cotes, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, as above.

Richard de Opton by Snodesbury, by writ of the bishop, without title.

William de Ekelshale, on the title, as above.

William, son of John de Clyve, on the title, as above, by precept of the bishop.

William de Stowa, rector of the church of Bradewas.

Henry, called Kyng, of Todynton, on the title, as above.

Master Nicholas de Stafford, rector of the church of Beln Brocton.

Peter de Beckford, by writ of the bishop, as above.

John de Touck, rector of the church of Blore, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Coventry and Lychfield.

Walter de Langberowe, on the title, as above.

William de Pydell, on the title, as above.

Henry Seryd of Rendewyk, on the title, as above.

Richard de Quenton, by writ of the bishop, as above.

John de Lemynnton, at the instance of the warden of Worcester.

Adam de Croppethorn, by writ of the bishop, at the instance of the prior of Worcester.

Roger de Doutesborn, at the instance of the prior of Worcester.

William de Morton, on the title, as above.

William de Kynemersford, on the title, as above.

William de Shireborn, on the title, as above.

John Kyng of Worcester, on the title, as above.

Richard Loveday of Fayreford, on the title, as above.

Adam de Aldesword, on the title, as above.

Adam de Perton, by letters dimissory of the King's free chapel of Totenhale.

Reginald de Eggeword, on the title, as above.

Edmund de Somery, on the title, as above.

Richard Palmer of Gloucester, on the title, as above.

Richard Brodome of Brymesgrave, on the title, as above.

William de Fayreford, on the title, as above.

William de Bevynton, on the title, as above.

Edmund Malicorn of Kynemersford, on the title, as above.

1306. John de Naylesword, on the title, as above.

Robert de Combe, on the title, as above.

John de Boveton of Coln S. Ailwyn, on the title, as above.

John Baban of Worcester, on the title, as above.

Robert Mayot of Alyncestre, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

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SECULAR PRIESTS.

Walter de Bradewell, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln, with title of the Master of the Knights Templars.

Robert de Grafton, admitted before, by special leave of the bishop.

Stephen de Crondewel, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Salisbury, with title of the abbot of Oseney.

William de Beln, admitted before.

Adam de Snyterfeld, admitted before, by special leave of the bishop.

John, son of Peter de Saltmarshe of Upton, by leave.

Hugh Stob of War', on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Worcester.

John de Wyccheford, by leave of the bishop, as previously admitted.

William de Adelmynton, on the title, as above.

Robert le Joene of Seggeberwe, by leave of the bishop, as previously.

Adam Antony of War', admitted before.

William de Sutton, on the title, as above.

Walter of Stoke Archer, on the title of patrimony.

Adam of Northwydihull, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Salisbury.

Nicholas de Burford, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lincoln.

Thomas Newman of Dombelton, on the title, as above.

William, called Beaufuz of Little Wormington, on the title, as above.

Robert, son of Walter de Wormynton, by leave of the bishop, as above.

Richard de la Felde of King's Norton, on the title, as above.

1306. William de Willareseye, admitted as above.

John de Overbury, on the title, as above.

William de Staunton, on the title, as above.

John Shaneryl of Southcerneye, on the title, as above.

Henry ate Yate of Bladynton, on the title, as above.

Roger Nichol of Staunton, on the title, as above.

Nicholas de Syde, on the title, as above.

Walter, called Thorstan, of Offenham, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Henry le Despenser of Aumbresleye, at the request of E. de Grafton.

William Dod of Quenton, on the title, as above.

John, called Mayen, of Ambresleye, on the title, as above.

Hugh de Burton, on the title, as above.

William de Quenyton, by grace of the bishop, as above.

John de Bredon, admitted before by G[odfrey].

Henry de Wythingdon, on the title, as above.

Geoffrey de Hampton, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Thomas de Poywyk, on the title, as above.

Hugh de Bladynton, on the title, as above.

Alan de Sudleye, on the title, as above.

Thomas Croume of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot.

Thomas de Shirebourn, on the title, as above.

John de Worcester, on the title, as above.

BENEFICED PRIESTS.

Thomas de Helyon, rector of the church of Eggeworth.

Adam de Holeberewe, rector of the church of King Stanley.

James de Tykenes, rector of the church of Estynton.

Geoffrey de Parco, rector of the church of Beghton, in the diocese of Norwych, by letters dimissory of the vicar of the bishop of Norwich, who is in distant parts.

William de Sheldon, rector of the church of Hamptonet.

Robert, rector of the church of Slouhtre.

Richard, rector of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll.

License to John de Haueskesbury, rector of the church of Irneacton, to visit the Apostolic See for the remedy of his sins,

and to be absent from his church from the feast of S. Michael next for one year, letting his church to farm meanwhile to any fitting person through whom the condition of the said church can be bettered. Worcester, 6 Kal. Oct., 1306, fourth year of consecration.

1306. Letters dimissory to N. de Stafford, rector of the church of Beln Brohton, deacon, for priest's orders. Kemeseye, Kal. Oct., same year.

License to Richard de Stan', rector of the church of Weston-upon-Avon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Kemeseye, 4 Non. Oct., same year.

License to Robert de Wychio, rector of the church of Alvechirch, priest, to go to the Apostolic See on matters touching his church, upon his taking oath to return without unnecessary delay, on condition that his church and cure of souls be not neglected meanwhile. Kemeseye, 3 Non. Oct., same year.

License to Reginald le Porter, rector of the church of Bourton, subdeacon, to study for the year next following. Kemeseye, 8 Id. Oct., same year.

License to Thomas¹, rector of the church of Aumbresleye, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, from the present date for one year. Kemeseye, 7 Id. Oct., same year.

License to Roger Corbet, rector of the church of Chaddesley, subdeacon, to study from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Kemeseye, 11 Kal. Oct., same year.

Institution of Ralf de Hokyngton, priest, to the church of Quenynton, vacant by the death of Gilbert Donmawe, last rector, on the presentation of Walter de Tothale, prior of the hospital of S. John of Jerusalem; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Kemeseye, 4 Id. Oct., 1306.

(Folio 42d.) Institution of William de Brocton, clerk, to the church of Roehampton, vacant by the death of Walter, last rector,

¹ Thomas le Butiller. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 512.

on the presentation of the King by reason of the wardship of the son and heir of J. Giffard, deceased; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Kemeseye, 3 Id. Oct., 1306.

1306. License to John, son of Warin, rector of the church of Upton-upon-Severn, priest, to study for the year next following. Kemeseye, 14 Kal. Nov., same year.

Letters dimissory to William de Ardington, rector of the chapel of Sudleye, for the orders of deacon and priest. Fladebury, 4 Kal. Nov., same year.

License to Andrew de Bornhull, rector of the church of Grafton-under-Flavel, subdeacon, to study within the province of Canterbury, from the present date until the feast of S. Michael next. Saltford, 3 Non. Nov., same year.

Institution of James de Done, priest, to the chapel of Rupa, vacant by resignation of Robert de Sudebury, priest, on the presentation of Robert de Mucegros, lord of Wollashull; letters of induction only to the official of Worcester. Fladebury, 3 Non. Nov., same year.

Grant *in commendam* to Roger Barbach, priest, of the church of Salewarp, vacant by resignation of John Dunclett, last rector, he having the sole benefice with cure of souls, on the presentation of G[uy], earl of Warwick. Hampton-upon-Avon, 7 Kal. Dec., same year.

Institution of John de la Hulle of Webeley, clerk, to the church of Whitynton, vacant by the death of Walter de Chiltonham, last rector, and granted *in commendam* to William de la Mare, priest, on the presentation of Richard de Croupes, knight; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alecestre, 4 Non. Dec., same year.

Appointment of Thomas de Alston, chaplain, with consent of Richard, perpetual vicar of Clyve Prior, as coadjutor to the said Richard, who is broken with age, blind, and infirm; enjoining

him to have an inventory, made by testimony of trustworthy men, of the goods of the said vicar, for the faithful administration of which he shall answer on oath. Stodeleye, 3 Non. Dec., 1306, fifth year of consecration.

1306. Grant *in commendam* of the church of Shipton Clyve, vacant by resignation of Henry, last rector, to J. de Rodeberg, priest, having the sole benefice, with cure of souls, at the presentation of Robert de Shipton Clyve. Stodleye, 6 Id. Dec., same year.

Letters dimissory for all Holy Orders to Robert de Blyburgh, rector of the church of Great Comberton. Fladebury, 4 Kal. Nov., 1306, fifth year of consecration.

License to Ralf, rector of the church of Hampton Lovet, subdeacon, to study, according to the constitution of Boniface VIII., from the present date for two years. Bredon, 12 Kal. Apr., 1305.

Institution of John Donclent, subdeacon, as rector of the church of Salewarp, vacant by resignation of Roger Barbast, who held it *in commendam*; on the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick; letters to the official of Worcester. Alvechirch, 2 Id. Dec., 1306.

Institution of Adam de Schobehangre, clerk, to the church of Thormerton, vacant by the death of Gilbert de Foxleye, last rector, on the presentation of John de Drokenesford; letter to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 19 Kal. Jan., 1306.

Letters dimissory for William de Brocton, rector of the church of Rokhampton, to any Catholic bishop of the kingdom of England, for the orders of deacon and priest. Hertlebury, 15 Kal. Jan., same year.

(Folio 43.) Orders celebrated at Hertlebury, by W[illiam], bishop of Worcester, on Saturday, *Quatuor temporum*, next after the feast of S. Lucy, Virgin, 1306, fifth year of consecration.

ACOLYTES.

1306. Robert de Rodeswell, rector of the church of Luddesdon in the diocese of Rochester, by letters dimissory.

Walter de Thornton, of the diocese of York, by letters dimissory of the diocesan.

Robert, son of Robert de Longedon, by letters dimissory of the abbot of Evesham.

Henry, rector of the church of Ryddemerleye.

SUBDEACONS.

Richard de Inckepenne, rector of the church of Dydesham, in the diocese of Exeter, by letters dimissory.

William de Brochton, rector of the church of Rokehampton.

Hugh de Bampton, rector of the church of Grotewych, in the diocese of Lychfield and Coventry, by letters dimissory.

Nicholas de Schepey, rector of the church of Coveleston, in the diocese of Salisbury, by letters dimissory.

Stephen de Scrop, rector of the church of Mersle, in the diocese of York, by letters dimissory.

John le Coner, of the diocese of York, by letters dimissory.

Henry de Warwyk, at the instance of Lady de Somery, by writ of the bishop.

Adam de Hylum, of the diocese of York, by letters dimissory, in which is contained a title.

William Chirchewart, by letters dimissory, of the abbot of Evesham.

Richard de Budiford, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

Simon, son of Nicholas de Appelby, of the diocese of Lincoln, by letters dimissory.

John de Neuynnton, by writ of the bishop.

Richard de Walmesgare, of the diocese of Lincoln, by letters dimissory.

Thomas de Nethercote, on the title of patrimony, approved under the seal of the official of Gloucester.

DEACONS.

- 1306.** Roger Corbet, rector of the church of Chaddesley.
 Roger, rector of the church of Pokelchirche.
 James de Bruera, rector of the church of Wydeford.
 Thomas, rector of the church of Great Comberton.
 John de la Cornere of Quenton, on the title, as above.
 John Davyd of Lenchewyk, on the title of the abbot of Evesham.
 John, son of Walter de Lyncoln, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lyncoln.
 Martin de S. Marina of Bristoll.
 Richard de Swyndon, on the title, as above.
 Davyd de Gutying, presented to the vicarage of Gutying.
 Robert de Saundeby, of the diocese of York, by writ of the bishop, by letters dimissory.
 Abel le Juven of Elnestowe, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lyncoln.
 John de Barton, on the title, as above.
 Richard le Bachelier, *portionarius* in the church of S. Nicholas of Warrewyk.
 Reginald de Colleby, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lyncoln.

PRIESTS.

- Peter de Saunford, on the title, as above.
 Adam de Croppethorn, on the title, as above.
 Nicholas de Stafford, rector of the church of Beln Brocton.
 Robert de Paxeford, on the title, as above.
 John Kyng of Worcester, on the title, as above.
 John de Luceby, of the diocese of Lyncoln, by letters dimissory of the bishop of Lyncoln.
 William de la Grene of Quenton.
 Robert Mayot of Alyncestre, as above.
 Nicholas de Todenham, on the title, as above.
 John Baban of Feckenham.
 Richard de Opton by Snodesbury, by writ of the bishop, as above.
 John de Wykewane, rector of the church of Bladynton.

1306. John, son of Robert de Newebold of Evesham, by letters dimissory of the abbot.

John de Somery, rector of the church of Bishampton.

John de Etyndon, on the title, as above.

William de Wolaston, of the parish of Swynford, as above.

Robert de Middleton, by writ of the bishop.

Robert le Blak, rector of the church of Kydremynstre.

License to Robert Giffard, rector of the church of Compton Greyville, priest, to let his church to farm from Michaelmas next for two years, to any ecclesiastical person of upright conversation, for the relief of his debts, in which he is bound to various creditors on account of his long imprisonment. Hertlebury, 6 Kal. Jan., 1306, fifth year of consecration.

Letters dimissory for Richard Bachelor, rector of the third portion in the church of S. Nicholas of Warrewyk, deacon, for priest's orders, to any bishop of the kingdom of England. Hertelbury, 15 Kal. Jan., same year.

Institution of Richard, son of Richard de Brymesgrave, clerk, rector of the church of Nategrave, vacant by lapse of *commendam* granted to Richard Taylor; on the presentation of Guy, earl of Warwick. He is not inducted until the incumbent is called. Hertelbury, 13 Kal. Jan., same year.

Letters dimissory for Henry, rector of the church of Rydmerleye, acolyte, for all holy orders. Hertelbury, 14 Kal. Jan., same year.

License for the said rector of Rydmerleye to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from 6 Kal. April next for seven years, during which time he shall not be bound to proceed to higher orders, according to the constitution of Boniface VIII., except that of subdeacon, which he is under obligation to receive within a year of his institution as rector of the said church. Same date.

(Folio 43d.) Institution of Peter de Horton, acolyte, to the church of Horton, vacant by the death of William de Welles, last

rector, on the presentation of Walter Burdoun, canon of the church of Salisbury, and prebendary of Horton ; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Hertilbury, Id. April, 1307.

1306. The said rector has letters dimissory for all holy orders. Not dated.

License to John, rector of the church of Coumbe Baskervyle, subdeacon, to study from the feast of S. Michael, 1306, for three years. Hertilbury, 17 Kal. Maii, same year.

Admissions and institutions to ecclesiastical benefices in the diocese of Worcester by J. de Rod'¹, official of W[illiam], bishop attending the parliament at Carlisle, from Christmas until Easter, the same year.

1307. Institution of Walter de Colewik, chaplain, to the vicarage of the church of S. John of Worcester, vacant by the death of Robert de Cirnecestre², on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester, with charge of continual residence. Worcester, 7 Id. Feb., 1306.

Institution of Henry le Scay, clerk, to the church of Weston Brut, vacant by the death of Andrew de Lamborn, last rector, on the presentation of William le Scay. Hertlebury, 13 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of Henry de Shipton, priest, as rector of the church of Shipton S. Oswald, vacant by resignation of J. de Rod', priest, who held it *in commendam*, on the presentation of Robert de Shipton. Hertlebury, 7 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of John de Quedesleye, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Letchelade, vacant by the death of Hugh Wynter, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Hayl' [Hayles], with charge of continual residence. Hertlebury, 6 Kal. Mar., same year.

¹ J. de Rodberough, rector of Hartlebury.

² See Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 443.

1307. Institution of John, called Forester, priest, to the church of Chircheshull, in the forest of Kynefar¹, vacant by resignation of Walter de Colewik, last rector, on the presentation of John Drogel. Hertelbury, 2 Kal. Mar., same year.

Institution of James de Berkeleye, priest, by his proctor², to the church of Slimbrugg, vacant by the death of Anselm de Gyses, last rector, on the presentation of Thomas de Berk', knight. Gloucester, 8 Id. Mar., same year.

Institution of William Peet, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Clyve Prior, vacant by the death of Richard Baret, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Worcester, with charge of continual residence. Worcester, 12 Kal. Apr., same year.

Institution of Philip de Langeford, clerk, to the church of S. John of Gloucester, vacant by resignation of Adam de' Caple, last rector, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Gloucester. Gloucester, 5 Kal. Apr., 1307.

Institution of John de Wotton, deacon, to the vicarage of the church of Wotton, vacant by the death of Walter de Bishopesdon, on the presentation of brother John de Brocia³, proctor of the abbot and convent of Conches, with charge of continual residence. Worcester, Non. Apr., same year.

Institution of William de Wicham, priest, rector of the church of Clifton, vacant by the death of (blank⁴), on the presentation of John de S. Lau¹. Bristol, 4 Id. Apr., same year.

Commission to the dean of Gloucester, under the seal of the bishop's official, to demand clerks or other ecclesiastics, imprisoned, from Roger de Beaufoy and J. de Acton, knights, justices, at Gloucester, on Monday next after the feast of S. Mathias. Hertlebury, 6 Kal. Mar., 1306.

¹ Churchill, near Stourbridge, in the Hundred of Halfshire. See Giff. Reg., W.H.S. p. 511.

² A blank space is left in the Register after the word *persona* for the name of the proctor.

³ John de Brocia was Prior of the House of Wotton. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 341.

⁴ A blank space for the name of the last rector is left in the Register.

1307. Declaration on oath by Stephen, rector of the church of Wolvardeleye, deacon, sworn before the bishop¹, that during the last seven years, for which he was licensed for general study, he has continued in the schools according to the said dispensation, except when prevented by good cause such as sickness; and here-upon he produces the testimonial of the chancellor of Oxford. In the presence of B. de Fer(iby), T. de Stratton, and J. Caley, notary, clerks. Bredon, 5 Kal. Maii, 1307.

Admission of Thomas de Weston, canon of the monastery of Oseneye, to the custody and cure of the parish church of Bebury, with the chapels adjoining, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Oseneye, to whose use the said church is appropriated. Bredon, 5 Kal. Maii, 1307, fifth year of consecration.

License to the said canon to hear the confessions of his parish-ioners, to absolve and to enjoin wholesome penance in cases in which power is allowed by the bishop. Same date.

(Folio 46².) Letters dimissory for Stephen, rector of the church of Wolvardeley, deacon, for priest's orders. Bredon, 5 Kal. Maii, 1307.

Letters dimissory for Reginald le Porter, rector of the church of Boruhton, subdeacon, for the orders of deacon and priest. Bredon, Kal. Maii, same year.

Letters dimissory for David, called Not, vicar of the church of Gutying, deacon, to any bishop of the province of Canterbury, for priest's orders; and he is instituted as vicar of the said church. Bredon, Kal. Maii, same year.

License to J. de Littelton, rector of the church of the same place, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the feast of S. Michael next for two years. Bredon, Kal. Maii, same year.

¹ This shews that the Bishop had re-turned from Carlisle.

² At the foot of folio 43d is written:—

Verte ij folia. This has accordingly been done in this abstract. The Calendar of folios 44, 45 follows that of folio 46.

1307. Institution of Walter Belamy, chaplain, to the vicarage of the church of Coveley, vacant by the death of Ralf, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester, with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Bredon, 5 Non. Maii, same year.

License to Robert, rector of the church of Peplinton¹, to let his church to farm from the present date for three years, for the relief of his debts. Bredon, 3 Non. Maii, same year.

Institution of William de Stowa, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Maresfeld, vacant by the death of Walter de Lemyn-ton, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Teokesbury, with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Alvynechirch, 2 Non. Maii, same year.

License to Robert de Wynton, rector of the church of Camme, subdeacon, to study from the present date until Christmas next. Bredon, 7 Id. Maii, same year.

License to John de Cheltham, rector of the church of Colde Newynton, priest, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year. Bredon, 5 Id. Maii, same year.

License to William, rector of the church of Aston Somervyle, acolyte, to study from the feast of S. Michael next for one year. Bredon, Id. Maii, same year.

License to Walter de Blythe, rector of the church of Stratton-upon-Fos, priest, to study within the kingdom of England, or without, from the present date for three years. Bredon, Id. Maii, same year.

Grant *in commendam* of the chapel of Stowell, vacant by the death of Walter Gladewyne, last rector, to Walter de Reding, priest, having the sole benefice with cure of souls, on the presentation of Adam Marcel, son of Adam Marcel. Blockeleye, Id. Maii, same year.

¹ Robert de Peoperton, acolyte, instituted 1290. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 429.

1307. Institution of Philip de Boresworth, acolyte, to the church of Lenche Rocolf, vacant by the resignation of Simon de Sutton, last rector, on the presentation of Guy de Beauchamp, earl of Warwick¹. London, 3 Non. Jun., 1307.

Institution of Henry de Hampton, priest, to the church of Lythorn, vacant by the death of Walter de Rodeham, last rector, on the presentation of Guy de Beauchamp, earl of Warwick; letters to the archdeacon of Worcester. Hilyngdon, 15 Kal. Jul., 1307.

License to Roger, rector of the church of Chadd' [Chaddesley Corbett], deacon, to study within the kingdom of England, from the present date for one year². Hilyngdon, 7 Kal. Jul., same year.

License to Adam de Caple, rector of the church of Iweley, deacon, to study within the kingdom of England, from the present date, for one year. Hilyngdon, 4 Kal. Jul., same year.

Institution of John de Doudeswell, clerk, as rector of the chapel of Doudeswell, vacant by lapse of *commendam* granted to Michael de la Stane, on the presentation of William de Doudeswell. London, 4 Non. Jul., same year.

(Folio 46*d*.) Admissions of clerks, in the time of J. de Rodeberwe, in absence of the bishop, being beyond the sea towards Poitou.

Institution of Simon de Warr', clerk, licensed previously, to the church of S. Mary in the South, Gloucester, vacant by the death of Gregory, last rector, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Lanthony, with charge of continual residence; letters to the archdeacon of Gloucester. Wynchecomb, 16 Kal. Aug., 1307.

Institution of Walter de Harewell, priest, to the vicarage of the church of Stonhous, vacant by the death of Hugh de Dynnesl', on the presentation of the abbess and convent of Elnestowe; reserving to the said convent nine marks of silver to be paid by the vicar yearly, at the feast of S. Michael and Easter, for the

¹ The Earl of Warwick was not patron on the last presentation, but Sir Walter de Cooksey. Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 277.

² See *ante*, p. 171, for a previous license.

fruits and profits of the said church which he shall receive, according to an ordinance of W[illiam] de Bleys, formerly bishop of Worcester. The said vicar faithfully promising to pay the said nine marks, and to reside continually when he is able to receive freely the fruits and profits of the church. Bristoll, 7 Kal. Aug., same year.

1307. Institution of Walter, son of Alexander, chaplain, by Richard Bachelor, substitute for William, son of Adam, his proctor, to the church of Wolwardington, vacant by the death of Walter de Wolvard', last rector, on the presentation of John, lord of Wolwardington. Sir J. de Cantilupo, who previously opposed having renounced his right for this time. Worcester, 2 Kal. Aug., same year.

Grant to the abbess and convent of blessed Mary of Burnham, of the order of S. Augustine, founded and endowed by R[ichard], king of the Romans, to obtain to their own use perpetually the vacant church of Burnham, which is of their patronage by gift of the said king of Germany. Not dated¹.

1305. (Folio 44.) The following writ came to Fladebury, 9 Kal. Dec., same year²:—Writ to the bishop to levy from ecclesiastical goods and benefices, and to bring in person to Westminster in the octaves of S. Hillary, the following debts due to the King from clerks having no lay fee, any amount remaining, at the said octaves, to be paid or levied, will at once be levied from the bishop's barony.

From the church of Sheleslegh [Shelesley], 4*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of Wotton in the same, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the prior of Newent, 12*d.* From the church of Marteleye, 20*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Cormell' [Corneilles] in the same, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the prior of Newent in the chapel of Arley [Arley Kings], 4*d.* From the church of Kingwich [Knightwick or Kinswich?], 4*s.* From the church of S. Martin of Worcester, 12*s.* From the church of S. Alban, 3*s.* From the portion of the abbot of Cormell in the church of Suckeleye, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Mathine [Mathon], 21*s.* From the church of Berga,

¹ The Register proper ends here. The rest of the volume is taken up with a list of writs served on the bishop at different

times during his Episcopate.

² The writ is dated 33 Ed. I., 1272.

8*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of Little Malvern in the church of Eldefelde [Eldersfield], 4*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the same, 10*s.* From the church of Hanley [Hanley Castle], 13*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the same, 21*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Maderesfeld, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Elmelode [Q. Clevelode?] 2*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Poywyk, 49*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of John de Saham in the same, 12*s.* From the church of Little Malvern, 2*s.* From the church of Haggeleye, 8*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Old Swyneford, 24*s.* From the church of Clent with chapel, 37*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Duddeleye, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Chaddesley, 30*s.* From the church of Brome, 8*s.* From the church of Yerdeleye, 24*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Brochton [Belbroughton], 36*s.* From the church of Wolfardesley [Wolverley], 12*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Northfeld, 16*s.* From the church of Stoke Prior, 30*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Upton Waryn, 17*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Haddesohovere [Hadzor], 5*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Hampton Lovet, 14*s.* 2*d.* From the church of Salewarp, 28*s.* From the church of Marton [Martin Hussingtree], 10*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Duderhull, 56*s.* From the church of S. Andrew of Wych, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Blessed Mary of Wytton, 10*s.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of blessed Peter of Wytton, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Alvechirch, 40*s.* From the church of Overbury, 16*s.* From the church of Elmeleye, 12*s.* From the church of Little Combrinton, 8*s.* From the chapel of Burlingham and Nafford, 4*s.* 2*d.* From the portion of the prior of Little Malvern, 6*d.* From the church of Lench Roud [Lench Rocolf], 8*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Dormeston, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Herforton [Harvington], 6*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Abbot's Morton, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Grafton, 8*s.* From the church of Humelton [Humbleton], 4*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Ebrihton, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of Croumbe, 8*s.* From the church of Fekenham, 33*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Hulle Crombe, 4*s.* 10½*d.* From the church of Bishamton and the portion of the prior of Hereford, 7*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Kington, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Bredon, 26*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Rippel, 53*s.* 4*d.* From the Chapel of Wenlonde [Welland], 8*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of Richard Brid in the church of S. Nicholas of

Warwick, 8*s.* 2*d.* From the portion of the canons in the church of S. Michael, 13*d.* From the church of S. Laurence, 11*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Buddebrok, with portion of a canon, 22*s.* 10*d.* From the church of Haseleye, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Rowynton, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 5*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Lappeworth, 11*s.* 8*d.* From the vicar of Spernore, 4*s.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of Kocton, 8*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Arewe, 10*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Kynewarton, 16*s.* From the church of Wotton with chapel, 34*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Willeberewe, 21*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Morton Bagot, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Preston, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Claverdon, 31*s.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Wolwardynton, 26*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of Aston Cantelou, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Budiford, 11*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Saltford, 21*s.* 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Norhampton, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the prebend formerly of Peter de Leycestre, 5*s.* 4*d.* From the prebend of the prior of the Holy Sepulchre, with portion of the same, 8*d.* From the portion of the prior of Kenelworth, 12*s.* 8½*d.* From the church of Atheleston, 8*s.* From the church of Etyndon, 28*s.* From the church of Brailles, 27*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Tysho, 40*s.* From the church of Kington, 28*s.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 8*s.* From the church of Litthurne, 34*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Wellesbourn, 29*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 7*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Lockesley, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Stretford, 46*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Bishop's Hampton, 26*s.* 8*d.* From the chapel of Cherlecote, 7*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Tredinton, 53*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of Kenelworth, 9*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Seynesbury, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Burton, 4*s.* 6¼*d.* From the chapel of Shesencote, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the chapel of Stratton, 2*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Elmelode [Evenlode], 8*s.* From the chapel of Bageshovere, 4*s.* From the portion of the abbot of Bruere in Shesnecote and Condicote, 16*d.* From the issues of the archdeaconry of Worcester, 40*s.* From the church of S. John, 4*s.* From the church of All Saints, 3*s.* 10*d.* From the church of S. James, 15*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Luttelton, 10*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Stoke Giffard, 20*s.* From the portion of the vicar of Almondes-

bury, 4s. From the portion of the prior of S. Martin in the same, 15*d.* From the church of Olveston and the portion of the prior of S. Bartholomew of Bath and the abbot of Cormell', 52s. 8*d.* From the portion of the prior of Newent, 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* From the portion of the abbot of Morgan, 6*d.* From the chapel of Tokynton, 4s. From the prebend of Richard de Vyenna, 13s. 4*d.* From the prebend formerly of Nicholas de Wodeford, 20s. 8*d.* From the prebend formerly of Peter de Leycestre, 13s. 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Wychio, 13s. 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of S. James, 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* From the church of Thornbury, 63s. 4*d.* From the church of Berkeleye, 35s. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* From the church of Camme, 13s. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* From the church of Oselworth, 13s. From the portion of the abbot of Kyngeswode, 4s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* From the church of Horton, with portion, 12s. 4*d.* From the church of Arleye, with portion, 9s. 4*d.* From the church of Dudemarton, with portion, 3s. 4*d.* From the church of Great Bavynton, 13s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Oldebury, with portion, 2s. 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ *d.* From the church of Charefeld, 10s. From the church of Torteworth, 23s. From the church of Weston, 10s. From the church of Cromhale, 14s. From the church of Tyderington, 19s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* From the church of Wykeware, 8s. 4*d.* From the church of Boxwell, 5s. (Folio 44*d.*) From the church of Irneacton, 10s. From the church of Acton Turvyle, 8s. 8*d.* From the church of Great Solbury, 20s. From the portion of the vicar of the same, 10s. 8*d.* From the church of Little Solbury, 4s. From the church of Dodinton, with portion, 7s. 7*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Keynesham in the church of Marsfeld, 8*d.* From the church of Burton, 53s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of Salisbury, 12s. From the church of Ciston, 4s. 4*d.* From the church of Pokelechirch, 33s. 4*d.* From the portion of the sacristan of Glastonbury in the same, 2s. 6*d.* From the church of Frompton Coterel, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Tormarton, 21s. 4*d.* From the church of Wappel', 7s. From the portion of the vicar of the same, 2s. 4*d.* From the portion of the rector of the church of Bucton, 16*d.* From the church of Durham, 21s. From the church of Shipton Moigne, 14s. From the church of Tettebury, with portion, 52s. From the church of Hampton Moigne, 21s. 4*d.* From the church of Esteneston, with portion, 11s. 8*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Flaxle in Bremsfeld,

2s. 6*d.* From the church of Coveleye, 5s. From the church of Elkeston, and portion of the priors of Newent and Fontenet, 10s. 10*d.* From the portion of the prior of Beauveur in the church of Saperton, 16*d.* From the church of Torleton, 3s. 7*d.* From the church of Numdesfeld, 5s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Kyngeswode, the prior of Lanthony, and the abbot of Oseneye, in the churches of Tettebury and Rodemarton, 6s. 3½*d.* From the church of Cirencestre, 28s. 8*d.* From the church of Cotes, with portion of Thomas de Berton and the rector of the church of Rodemarton, 11s. From the church of Stratton, 6s. From the portion of the vicar of the same, 4s. From the church of Dadelingworth, with portion, 5s. 7½*d.* From the church of Knight's Dunteshourn, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Abbot's Dunteshourn, 5s. 10*d.* From the church of Northcerneye, 37s. 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of S. Oswald in the same, 4*d.* From the church of Hamptonet, 3s. 4*d.* From the church of Thormarton, 20s. From the portion of the vicar of Northlech, 4s. From the church of Culne S. Denis, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Culne Roger, 4s. From the church of Ameneye S. Mary, 4s. 6*d.* From the church of Driffeld, 4*d.* From the church of Preston, 2s. 6*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Cirnecestre, 6½*d.* From the church of Letchelade, 10s. From the Church of Hathrop, with vicarage, 16s. 4*d.* From the church of Lech S. Andrew, 22s. From the portion of the abbot of Bruere, 8*d.* From the church of Lech S. Martin, 24s. From the church of Fayrford, 20s. From the portion of the vicar of Kynemersford, 7s. 4*d.* From the church of Hampton Meisi, 20s. From the portion of the vicar of the church of Ameneye S. Cross, 2s. From the church of Burton, 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Upper Slouhtre, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Eyford, 4s. From the portion of the prior of Beauver in the church of Great Risindon, 3s. From the church of Great Aston, 18s. 8*d.* From the church of Long Berga, 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Lower Stowe, 13s. 8*d.* From the church of Wydeford, 2s. 8*d.* From the church of Upper Swell, 5s. From the church of Stowe, 16s. From the church of Sutton, 5s. 4*d.* From the church of Rysindon Basset, 7s. From the church of Wyke Risindon, 4s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Hailes, 13*d.* From the church of Evrihton, with portion, 10s. 4*d.* From the church of Wykewane, 30s. 8*d.* From the church of Aston

Somervill, 6s. 4*d.* From the church of Hynington, 6s. From the portion of the vicar of Staneweye, 8s. From the church of Hayles, 16s. From the church of Kynemerton, 36s. From the church of Clifford, 6s. From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the chapel of Bissheleye, 2s. 8*d.* From the church of Cheltenham, 24s. From the portion of the prior of Scrogoil [Chepstow], in the church of Beggeworth, 3s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Hatherleye, with portion of the prior of Scrogoil, 6s. 8*d.* From the portion of the dean of Hereford in the churches of Prestebury and Sevenhampton, 20s. From the portion of the precentor of Hereford in the same, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Shipton, with portion of the prior of Monem' [Monmouth], 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Colesbourn, 4s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Hasfeld, with portion of the prior of Little Malvern, 5s. From the portion of the abbot of Cirnecestre, 2s. From the portion of the vicar of Froucestre, 5s. From the church of Frethorn, 4s. 8*d.* From the church of Morton, with chapel, 13s. 4*d.* From the churches of Harescombe and Pichenecombe, 4s. From the chapel of Matesdon, 3s. 2*d.* From the portion of the vicar of Haselworth, 4s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the church of S. Owen, 2s. From the churches of the Holy Trinity and Blessed Mary, 5s. 4*d.* From the churches of S. Michael and S. Martin, 6s. From the church of S. John the Baptist, with portion of the abbot of Gloucester, 7s. 8*d.* From the church of S. Oswald, 40s. From the church of Wydecombe, 4s. From the portion of the prior of S. Oswald in Wydecombe and Lassindon, 13*d.* From the portion of the prior of Hereford in the bishopric of Worcester, 10s. 6*d.* From the issues of the archdeaconry of Gloucester, 30s. 8*d.*

Witness, the King.

Westminster, 4 November, 33 Edward I. By the council. The officials of the archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to levy the said sums, and to certify the bishop thereof before Christmas.

1305. Return to the same:—From certain persons within-written, the abbot of Gloucester has received a certain sum of money which he has refused to deliver to the bishop (*michi*), saying that he wishes to answer himself to the King for the said money.

1305. This writ came to Bredon, 16 Kal. Jan., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce John de Ebroicis, parson of the church of Tredington, before the justices at Westminster, in the octave of S. Hillary, to answer to Wolstan de Sheldesl', clerk, in a plea of debt of 60s. and three robes, arrears of a yearly rent of 20s. and one robe; the sheriff of Worcester having made return at the octaves of S. Michael that the said John had no lay fee in his bailiwick. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 20 October, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester or the dean of Warwick is directed to execute the said writ, and to certify the bishop thereof before the Epiphany.

Return to the same :—The said John is enjoined to appear as above said.

1306. This writ came 8 Kal. Dec., same year. Writ to the bishop to enjoin Robert de Wych to appear before the justices at Westminster, in the octave of S. Hillary, to show cause why 10*l.* in which he is indebted to Thomas Cantok should not be levied from his ecclesiastical goods; the sheriff of the county of Worcester, who had been ordered to enjoin him to appear at Westminster on the morrow of S. Martin last, having returned that the said Robert is a clerk and has no lay fee. The said 10*l.* are arrears of a yearly rent of 40s. recovered by the said Thomas by a jury at Westminster, of which 40s. was due at the feast of S. Michael, *anno* 29, and 40s. at the said feast, *annis* 30, 31, 32, 33. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 30 November, 34 Edward I. The dean of Wych is directed to execute the said writ and to certify the bishop thereof before the feast of the Epiphany.

(Folio 45.) Return to the same :—The said Robert is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to London, 10 Kal. Feb. Writ to the bishop, or his *locum tenens*, to produce John de Ebroicis, clerk, at Westminster, fifteen days from S. Hillary, to answer to John de Tilton in a plea of debt of nineteen marks, 6s. 8*d.*, being arrears of a yearly rent of 20s., the sheriff of Worcester having returned that the said John is a clerk, and has no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham. Westminster, 4 December, 34 Edward I.

1306. Return to the same:—The said John is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Hampton, 6 Id. Feb., same year. Writ to the sheriff of Warwick to distrain the bishop by sureties and safe pledges to produce Walter, parson, of the church of Wolwardyngton, at Westminster, on the octave of the Purification, to answer to William, son of Peter de Wolward', in a plea of debt of 26s. 8d., being arrears of a yearly rent of 13s. 4d.; and to show why he did not produce him at Westminster on the morrow of S. Martin. Witness, R. de Hengham. Westminster, 25 November, 34 Edward I.

Writ to the sheriff of Warwick to distrain the bishop by sureties and safe pledges to produce the prior of Wotton, at Westminster, on the octave of the Purification, to answer to the prior of the hospital of S. John of Jerusalem in England, and brother J. de Cersey, to answer, together with brother J. de Brocya¹, to the same, in a plea of debt of ten marks. Witness, R. de Hengham. Westminster, 23 November, 34 Edward I.

The two preceding writs came so late that they could not be executed.

1307. The following writ came to Bredon, 2 Kal. Mar., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy as quickly as possible from ecclesiastical goods and benefices the following debts owed to the king from clerks having no lay fee, and to pay the same to the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester for the furtherance of the king's affairs as he has directed, receiving from them open letters of receipt. The bishop shall certify the king at Westminster on the morrow of the close of Easter of the execution of this writ and the amount paid; if he is negligent or remiss in levying the said money, his barony will be seized until the whole sum is levied therefrom by the king's ministers.

From the portion of the prior of Woton in the church of Shaldesley, 2s. 8d. From the church of Kyngworth, 4s. From the church of S. Alban, 3s. From the church of Mathine [Mathon], 21s. From

¹ J. de Brocya was prior of Wotton. See *ante*, p. 178, and Giff. Reg., W.H.S., p. 341.

the portion of the prior of Little Malvern in the church of Eldesfeld, 4s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the same, 10s. From the church of Hanleye, 13s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the same, 21s. 4*d.* From the church of Maderesfeld, 4s. 4*d.* From the church of Elmelode, 2s. 8*d.* From the church of Poywyk, 49s. 8*d.* From the portion of John de Saham in the same, 12s. From the church of Little Malvern, 2s. From the church of Haggeley, 8s. 4*d.* From the church of Old Swyneford, 24s. From the portion of the vicar of the church of Duddeley, 4s. 4*d.* From the church of Chaddesley, 30s. From the church of Jerdeley [Yardley], 24s. 8*d.* From the church of Brochton, 36s. From the church of Westfardley, 12s. 4*d.* From the church of Stoke Prior, 30s. 8*d.* From the church of Upton Waryn, 17s. 4*d.* From the church of Hampton Lovet, 14s. 2*d.* From the church of Duderhill, 56s. From the church of S. Andrew of Wych, 8s. 8*d.* From the church of Blessed Mary of Wytton, 10s. From the church of Alvechirch, 40s. From the church of Elmeleye, 12s. From the portion of the prior of Little Malvern, 6*d.* From the church of Dormeston, 2s. 8*d.* From the church of Herforton, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Abbot's Morton, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Ebrihton, 4s. 4*d.* From the church of Fekenham, 33s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Bredon, 26s. 8*d.* From the church of Rippil, 53s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Wenlond, 8s. 8*d.* From the portion of Richard Brid in the church of S. Nicholas of Warwick, 8s. 4*d.* From the church of S. Laurence, 11s. 4*d.* From the church of Buddebok, with portion of a canon, 22s. 10*d.* From the church of Haseleye, 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Rouhinton, 13s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 5s. 4*d.* From the church of Lappeworth, 11s. 8*d.* From the vicar of Spernore, 4s. From the portion of the vicar of the church of Kocton, 8s. 8*d.* From the church of Arewe, 10s. 4*d.* From the church of Kynewarton, 16s. From the church of Wotton, with chapel, 34s. 8*d.* From the church of Welleberwe, 21s. 8*d.* From the church of Morton Bagot, 8s. 8*d.* From the church of Preston, 8s. 8*d.* From the portion of the vicar in the church of Claverdon, 4s. 4*d.* From the church of Wolwardinton, 26s. 8*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the church of Aston Cantelou, 3s. 4*d.* From the church of Saltford, 21s. 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Norhampton, 8s. 8*d.* From the prebend for-

merly of Peter de Leycestre, 5*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Etyndon, 28*s.* From the church of Brayles, 27*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Kynton, 28*s.* From the portion of the prior of Kenelworth, 12*s.* 8½*d.* From the church of Wellesbourn, 29*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of the same, 7*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Lockesley, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Stretford, 46*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Bishop's Hampton, 26*s.* 8*d.* From the chapel of Cherlecote, 7*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Tredynton, 53*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of Kenilworth, 9*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Seynesbury, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Burton, 4*s.* 6¾*d.* From the chapel of Shesnecote, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Ennelode, 8*s.* From the chapel of Baggeshore, 4*s.* From the portion of the abbot of Bruere in Shesnecote and Cundicote, 16*d.* From the church of S. John, 4*s.* From the church of All Saints, 3*s.* 10*d.* (Fol. 45*d.*) From the church of Lutleton, 10*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Stoke Giffard, 20*s.* From the portion of the vicar of Aylmundesbury, 4*s.* From the portion of the prior of S. Martin in the same, 15*d.* From the church of Olveston, and portion of the prior of Bath and the abbot of Cormell', 52*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Morgan in Newent, 6*d.* From the chapel of Tokynton, 4*s.* From the prebend of Richard de Vyenna, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the prebend formerly of Nicholas de Wodeford, 20*s.* 8*d.* From the prebend formerly of Peter de Leycestre, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Wychio, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Berkeleye, 35*s.* 7½*d.* From the church of Camme, 14*s.* 3½*d.* From the church of Oseleworth, 13*s.* From the church of Arleye, with portion, 9*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Dudemarton, with portion, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Great Badmynton, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Torteworth, 33*s.* From the church of Weston, 10*s.* From the church of Acton Turvyle, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the church of Button, 53*s.* 4*d.* From the portion of the rector of the church of Bucton, 16*d.* From the church of Durham, 21*s.* From the church of Tettebury, with portion, 52*s.* From the church of Hampton Moigne, 21*s.* 4*d.* From the church of Estinton, with portion, 11*s.* 8*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Flaxele in Brimesfeld, 2*s.* 6*d.* From the church of Couleye, 5*s.* From the church of Elkeston, and portion of the priors of Newent and Fontenet, 10*s.* 10*d.* From the portion of the prior of Beaver in the church of Saperton, 16*d.* From the church of Torleton, 3*s.* 7*d.* From the church of Cotes, with portion of Thomas de Berton and

the rector of the church of Rudemarton, 11s. From the church of Stratton, 6s. From the portion of the vicar of the same, 4s. From the church of Dadelingworth, with portion, 5s. 7½*d.* From the church of Abbot's Duntlesborn, 5s. 10*d.* From the church of Northcerneye, 33s. 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of S. Oswald in the same, 4*d.* From the church of Hamptonet, 3s. 4*d.* From the church of Tormarton, 20s. From the portion of the vicar of Northlech, 4s. From the church of Ameneye S. Mary, 4s. 6*d.* From the church of Driffeld, 4*d.* From the church of Preston, 2s. 6*d.* From the church of Lechelade, 10s. From the church of Hampton Meysi, 20s. From the church of Burton, 13s. 4*d.* From the church of Upper Stouhtre, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Eynord, 4s. From the portion of the prior of Beauver in the church of Rysingdon, 3s. From the church of Aston Magna, 18s. 8*d.* From the church of Wydeford, 2s. 8*d.* From the church of Upper Swell, 5s. From the church of Stowe, 16s. From the church of Sutton, 5s. 4*d.* From the church of Rysindon Basset, 7s. From the church of Wike Rysindon, 4s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Heyl' [Hayles], 14*d.* From the church of Aston Somervill, 6s. 8*d.* From the portion of the vicar of Stanewey, 8s. From the church of Hayl' [Hayles], 16s. From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the chapel of Bisseley, 2s. 8*d.* From the portion of the prior of Scrogoil [Chepstow], in the church of Beggeworth, 3s. 4*d.* From the portion of the dean of Hereford in the churches of Prestebury and Sevenhampton, 20s. From the portion of the precentor of Hereford in the same, 6s. 8*d.* From the church of Shipton, with portion of the prior of Monem' [Monmouth], 13s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of Froncestre, 5s. From the church of Frethorn, 4s. 8*d.* From the church of Morton, with chapel, 13s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of Asselworth, 4s. 4*d.* From the portion of the abbot of Lyra in the church of S. Owen, 2s. From the churches of S. Michael and S. Martin, 6s. From the church of S. John the Baptist, with portion of the abbot of Gloucester, 7s. 8*d.* From the church of S. Oswald, 40s. From the church of Wydecombe, 4s. From the portion of the prior of S. Oswald, in Wydecombe and Lassindon, 13*d.* From the portion of the prior of Hereford in the bishopric of Worcester, 10s. 6*d.* From the issues of the archdeaconry of Gloucester, 30s. 8*d.* From the church of Hethrop, with vicarage, 16s. 4*d.* From the portion of the vicar of Kynemersford, 7s. 4*d.* From the portion of the prior of S. James in Horton, 20½*d.*

Witness, the King.

1307. Lyndhurst, February, 34 Edward I. By the council. The officials of the archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to enjoin the parsons of the aforesaid churches with all speed possible, if they can be found, and, if not, their servants or agents, to pay the said sums to the abbot and convent of S. Peter of Gloucester before Palm Sunday, if not yet paid, lest the bishop incur the threatened penalty.

Return to the same:—From certain persons named in this writ, and in others formerly sent for the levying of such debt, the abbot of Gloucester has received 59*l.* 20½*d.*, as appears by his letters patent of receipt. The names of the persons, delivered by him to the bishop (*nobis*), are sent enclosed with the present writ. Of any remainder of the debt as much as possible shall be levied.

1303. (Folio 51¹.) Writs which came from the feast of St. Michael, 1303, to the same feast in the following year.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 12 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop, as above, to expose for sale the ecclesiastical goods to the value of 31*l.* of John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredyngton, lately sequestered according to return made to the justices at York; and to produce the money at York on the octave of the Purification, to be delivered to Thomas de Sutham and Ralf de Leycestre, as part of 44*l.* recovered by them against the said John at York, by an inquisition held before William de Berford at StycheFord [Stichford], in the county of Worcester. Witness, R. de Hengham².

York, 18 November, 32 Edward I. The deans of Campden and Blockeley are directed to certify execution before the feast of the Conversion of S. Paul.

Return:—Of the ecclesiastical goods of the said John, twenty-three marks of silver have been levied, and are in the bishop's

¹ The numbers between 46 and 51 are missed in the foliation in Roman figures. Arabic figures. The numbers given in this abstract are those in Roman figures.
No. 47 is missed in the foliation in old ² See *ante*, pp. 63 and 78.

keeping; he dare not send them to York at present on account of the dangers of the roads. No more can be levied before the autumn.

1303. The King to the sub-collectors in the diocese of Worcester of the tenth imposed for three years on the clergy of England by Boniface VIII. Leave to demand from the bishop the tenth of the profits of the bishopric during the vacancy which were sold to him by the King after the restitution of temporalities; it not being consonant to justice that the bishop should be charged with the profits of the bishopric while it is in the King's hand. Witness, the King. Dunfermelyn, 18 December, 32 Edward I.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 2 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop, as before, to distrain Walter, son of Warin, rector of the church of Upton, to appear at York, on the morrow of the Purification, to answer to Robert de la Chaumbre, servant of W., bishop of Coventry and Lichfield¹, treasurer, in a plea of assault; and to keep in close custody his sequestered goods. Witness, P. de Leycestre.

York, 8 December, 32 Edward I. The dean of Wych' is ordered to certify execution before the feast of the Conversion of S. Paul.

Return :—The said Walter is distrained to appear as above said.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Non. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at York on the octave of S. Hillary, John Nuel, clerk, John de Wamberge, rector of the church of Rysindon Basset, Jordan, rector of the church of Hampton Moigne, William, rector of the church of Stoke Prior, and Peter de Leycestre, clerk, executors of the testament of William de Molendinis, to answer to Walter de Berton, John de Redeberow, John de Stanway and Geoffrey de Henbury, executors of the testament of Godfrey Giffard, formerly bishop of Worcester², in a plea of debt of 40s. from the said John and John, of forty marks from the said Jordan and William, and of 60s. from the said Peter; the sheriff of Gloucester having made return at York on the morrow of All Souls that they have no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

¹ Walter Langton, 1296—1321.

² See *ante*, p. 54.

York, 12 November, 31 Edward I. The officials of the archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

1303. Return:—The said John de Wamberge, Jordan, William and Peter, are enjoined to appear as above said. John Noel is not beneficed in the diocese and therefore concerning him nothing has been done.

(Folio 51*d*.) This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Non. Jan. Writ to the bishop to distrain Adam de Orleton and William de Bremmesgrave, clerks, executors of the testament of Bartholomew de Dyvyses, late executor of the testament of Godfrey [Giffard], the bishop's predecessor, to be at York in the octave of the Purification, with tallies and other acquaintances, to answer, together with Walter de Berton, John de Rodeberow and John de Staneway, executors of the said bishop, for the debts due from him to the King. Witness, W. de Carleton.

York, 14 October, 31 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to sequester all the ecclesiastical goods of the said clerks, by the third day after the Purification.

Return:—The said Adam is distrained to appear as above said. The said William is not beneficed in the diocese, and therefore concerning him nothing has been done.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Non. Jan. Writ to the bishop to distrain Thomas de Wycheford, clerk, to appear at York, in the octave of S. Hillary, to answer, together with John de Watecote, Robert de Compton, and Richard de Chiriton, to Walter de Berton, John de Rodeberew, G. de Hembury, and John de Stanway, executors of G[odfrey] Giffard, late bishop of Worcester, for two hundred and twenty-five marks owed by them to the said bishop, in part payment of the debts due from him to the King. Witness, W. de Carleton. York, 22 October, 31 Edward I.

Return:—The said Thomas is not beneficed in the diocese, and therefore nothing has been done.

1303. This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Non. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in the octave of S. Hillary, John de Heneley, rector of the church of Elmeley under Elmeley Castle, Henry de Dyclesbergh, rector of the church of Cheldesley, and Peter, rector of the church of Marteley, to answer to Walter de Berton, John de Rodebergh, John de Staneway, and Geoffrey de Hembury, executors of the testament of G[odfrey] Giffard, formerly bishop of Worcester, in a plea of debt of 100s. from the said John, of ten marks from the said Henry, and of 20*l.* from the said Peter; the sheriff of Worcester having made return at York on the morrow of All Souls that they have no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 9 November, 31 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

Return:—The said John, Henry, and Peter are enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 4 Id. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in the octave of S. Hillary, Richard de Alecestre, clerk, executor of the testament of Nicholas de Wodeford, formerly rector of the church of Fladebury, to answer, together with John de Dunbelton and Nicholas de Batheneston, clerk, his co-executors, to the prior of Bradenestoke for chattells to the value of 36*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; the sheriff of Worcester having made return at York in the octave of S. Michael that the said Richard has no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 30 October, 31 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the morrow of S. Hillary.

Return:—The said Richard is not beneficed in the diocese, and therefore nothing has been done.

This writ came to Wynterburn, 5 Id. Mar. Writ to the bishop to distrain John de Staneway, John de Rodebergh, and Walter de Berton, executors of the testament of Godfrey Giffard, late bishop of Worcester, to appear at York, in fifteen days after Easter,

to render account of the debts due to the King from the said bishop, since they did not appear on the octave of S. Hillary as appointed for them. Also, to distrain Adam de Orleton and William de Brymesgrave, clerks, executors of the testament of Bartholomew de Devyses, one of the executors of the said bishop, to render account together with the said John, John and Walter. Witness, P. de Leycestre.

York, 16 February, 32 Edward I. The officials of the archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to execute the said writ before the Sunday on which is sung *Quasi modo geniti*¹; before which day the official of Worcester certifies execution, but not the official of Gloucester.

1304. Return:—The said John, John, Walter, and Adam, are distrained to appear as above said; William de Brymesgrave is not beneficed in this diocese, and therefore as to him nothing has been done.

(Folio 52.) This writ came to Bristoll, 4 Id. Mar. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, fifteen days from the day of Holy Trinity, Robert de Newynton, rector of the church of Bishampton, to answer to William de Ryans in a plea of debt of 6*l.*; the sheriff of Worcester having made return at York, fifteen days from S. Hillary, that the said Robert had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 8 February, 32 Edward I. The official of Worcester is directed to certify execution before Whitsuntide.

Return:—The said Robert died before the writ could be executed. The official has certified that he sequestered the goods of the said Robert to the value of 12*l.*

This writ came to Henbury, Id. Mar. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, one month from Easter, John Chastillun, clerk, to answer to Henry de Wodeford, archdeacon of Bath, and William de Leycestre, executors of the testament of William de Hamme, formerly parson of the church of Clyve, in a plea of debt of 40*s.*; the sheriff of Worcester having made return at York, on the octave

¹ *Quasi modo geniti infantes Alleluia* is the Sarum introit for Low Sunday.

of S. Martin, that the said John has no lay fee. Witness R. de Hengham.

York, 27 November, 32 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the Sunday on which is sung *Quasi modo*¹.

1304. Return:—The said John is enjoined to appear as aforesaid.

This writ came to Henbury, 13 Kal. Apr. Writ to the bishop, as aforesaid, to expose for sale, to the value of twenty-three marks and a half, the ecclesiastical goods of John de Ebrouis, rector of the church of Tredynton, lately sequestered according to return made at York; and to produce the money at York fifteen days from Easter, to be delivered to Thomas de Sutham and Ralf de Leycestre, as part of 44*l.* recovered by them at York by a jury held before William de Berford at Sticheford Bridge; also, to produce at the same time twenty-three marks, part of the said 44*l.*, already sequestered according to return made at York, in the octave of the Purification; the sheriff of Worcester having returned that the said John had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 11 February, 32 Edward I.

Return:—Twenty-three marks are sent by Simon de Grenhull, the bishop's steward; no return was made to any writ that the said goods had been sequestered to the value of 31*l.*, as is alleged in the writs, but only to the value of the said twenty-three marks now sent, and no more can be levied before the autumn, as was returned to the last writ sent in the octave of the Purification.

This writ came to Henbury, 10 Kal. Apr. Thomas de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucester, to the bailiff of Derhurst. Distrain the bishop by lands and goods to produce at York in a month from Easter, Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to answer to John de Bloxam in a plea of debt; and certify execution hereof at Gloucester before the feast of the Purification. The dean of Stonhouse is directed to sequester all ecclesiastical goods and offerings of the said rector before the feast of SS. Tyburchus and Valerian².

¹ Low Sunday.

² See *ante*, p. 76.

1304. The said Simon makes oath to save the bishop harmless, touching this writ and others for which he has been distrained, under penalty of deprivation from his church; in presence of W., archdeacon of Huntingdon, B. de Feriby, Thomas de Stratton, and J. Caleys.

Henbury in the Salt Marsh, 18 Kal. Maii. The dean of Stonhouse is directed to provide necessities for the said rector and his household at York, going and returning, and for the minister of the church; otherwise the sequestration is to remain in force.

The said rector makes oath, before the said witnesses, to save the bishop harmless, and to replace the fruits in the soil, and the sequestration is released. Lantony, 8 Id. Maii.

This writ came to Henbury in the Salt Marsh, 3 Non. Apr., 1304. Writ to the bishop to levy fifteen marks from the ecclesiastical goods of William de Apperle, dean of the church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, and to produce the same at York in fifteen days from Easter, to be delivered to Ralf de Hengham, canon of the same church, to whom the said sum was adjudged at York, for damages, by reason of the said William having hindered him from presenting to the church of Budibrok, as appears by an assize of last presentation; the sheriff of Warwick having returned at York in fifteen days from S. Hillary that the said William had no lay fee. Witness, E. de Bekyngham¹.

York, 28 January, 32 Edward I.

Return :—This writ came to Henbury by Bristoll on Friday in Easter week last, and because it came so late nothing could be done.

(Folio 52*d*.) Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to bind the bishop by sureties and safe pledges to produce at York, in the octave of Holy Trinity, John Nuel, clerk, John de Wamberg, rector of the church of Rysingdon Basset, Jordan, rector of the church of Hampton Moigne, William, rector of the church of Stoke Prior, and Peter de Leycestre. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 25 January, 32 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to sequester the goods of the rector of

¹ See *post*, pp. 202, 206, 211.

Stoke Prior and Peter de Leycestre, and to certify execution before the feast of the Ascension. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed concerning the others, and also as to the goods of the said Peter, deceased.

1304. Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to bind the bishop by sureties and safe pledges to produce at York, in the octave of Holy Trinity, John de Henleye, rector of the church of Elmeleye-under-Elmeleye Castle, Henry de Dyclesbergh, rector of the church of Sheldesleye, and Peter, rector of the church of Marteleye. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 28 January, 32 Edward I.

The two preceding writs came to Henbury in the Salt Marsh, 3 Id. Apr., 1304. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to cite the said clerks to appear as above said, to sequester their goods, and to certify the bishop thereof before the feast of the Ascension.

This writ came to Henbury in the Salt Marsh, Id. Apr. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in five weeks from Easter, John Blampayn, rector of the church of Wyccheford, to answer to Robert le Blound of Snytenfeld in a plea of debt of 36*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.*; the sheriff of Oxford having returned at York, fifteen days from S. Martin, that the said John had no lay fee¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 25 January, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. George.

Return :—The said John is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Camme, 10 Kal. Maii, same year. R. le Porter, sheriff of Worcester, to the bailiff of Osewolde². Execute a recited writ, directed to the said sheriff, dated at York, 12 February, *anno* 32, witnessed by R. de Hengham, requiring the bishop to be bound by sureties and safe pledges to produce at York, in five weeks

¹ See *post*, p. 209.

² The Bishop had exclusive jurisdiction to the Hundred of Oswaldeslowe, and the

sheriff could not execute any writ there, so he had to send them to the Bishop's bailiff for execution.

from Easter, Richard, rector of the church of Hulle Cromb, to answer, together with Bartholomew and Margery, to William de Burne in a plea of debt of 60s.; and to send to the said sheriff the names of the pledges before the feast of S. Mark the evangelist.

Not dated. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution by the third day before the feast of SS. Philip and James, Apostles.

1304. This writ came to Gloucester, 8 Id. Maii. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in the octave of Holy Trinity, Nicholas de Stafford, rector of the church of Sudleye, and Godfrey, rector of the church of Weston, to answer to Walter de Berton, John de Rodeberow, John de Stanweye and Geoffrey de Henbury, executors of the testament of Godfrey Giffard, formerly bishop of Worcester, in a plea of debt of forty marks from Nicholas, and of 40s. from Godfrey; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned at York, in the octave of S. Hillary, that the said Nicholas and Godfrey had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 28 January, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester, or his official, is directed to sequester the goods of the said Nicholas and Godfrey until the indemnity of the bishop shall be secured, and to certify him thereof before the feast of Holy Trinity.

Return :—The said clerks are enjoined to appear as above said.

(Folio 53.) This writ came to Gloucester, 7 Id. Maii. Writ to the bishop to levy before the octave of Holy Trinity, of the ecclesiastical goods of Simon de Prews, son of John de Prews of Great Tywe, twenty-three marks, which the said Simon acknowledged, before Thomas de la Grave, mayor of Bristoll, and William de Stanton, late clerk for taking recognizances of debts at Bristoll, that he owed to John, son of William le Spicer of Oxford, of which eleven marks and a-half were due at the feast of the Assumption, *anno* 31, and eleven marks and a-half at the feast of All Saints then next; the sheriff of Oxford, who had been ordered to imprison the said Simon having returned fifteen days from Easter that he was beneficed in the diocese of Worcester and had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Brabanzon.

York, 20 April, 32 Edward I. The dean of Stonhous is directed

to levy the said money, sequester and keep in strict custody the fruits of the said church, and certify the bishop thereof before the feast of Holy Trinity.

1304. Return:—No ecclesiastical goods of the said Simon have been found since the receipt of the writ on which the said money can be levied.

This writ came to Tewkesbury, 2 Id. Maii. Writ to the bishop to distrain John de Cungesbury, executor of the testament of Peter de l'Isle, clerk, to appear at York, on the octave of Holy Trinity, to answer, together with Richard Neel and Ralf de Wolverton his co-executors, to Thomas de Berkele and others, executors of the testament of W., formerly bishop of Bath and Wells¹, for 65*l.*, levied by the said Peter, when official of the said bishop, of the ecclesiastical goods of Robert de Lyttlebury of Ottecombe and Kyngton, deceased, due from the bishop's executors to the King; the sheriffs of Somerset and Dorset having made return that the said John had no lay fee. Witness, W. de Carleton.

York, 18 April, 32 Edward I. The dean of Haukesbury and Button is directed to strictly enjoin the said John to appear as above said, to sequester the fruits and profits of his church, until the bishop's indemnity is secured, and to certify him thereof before the feast of Holy Trinity.

Return:—The said John is distrained to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, 17 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to levy fifteen marks from the goods of William de Apperley, dean of the church of Blessed Mary of Warwick, and to produce the same at York, fifteen days from Holy Trinity². Witness, W. de Bereford.

York, 20 April, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to send the said money within two days after the feast of Holy Trinity.

Return:—No ecclesiastical goods of the said William have been found since the receipt of the writ whence the said money can be levied.

¹ William de Marchia, 1293—1302.

² See *ante*, p. 199, *post*, pp. 206, 211.

1304. This writ came to Bredon, 13 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to admit a fitting person, on the King's presentation, to the church of Doderhull, notwithstanding the claim of Robert, archbishop of Canterbury¹, against whom the King has recovered the said presentation by judgment of the King's court. Witness, R. le Brabazun.

York, 1 May, 32 Edward I.

Similar writ, stating that the King had recovered the said presentation against the bishop of Worcester.

Same date.

Similar writ, stating that the King had recovered the said presentation against John de Middelton, clerk.

Same date².

(Folio 53*d*.) This writ came to Bredon, 14 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, three weeks from Holy Trinity, the prior of S. James of Bristoll, Robert de Gloucester, and Adam de Orleton, executors of the testament of Bartholomew de Devisis, formerly rector of the church of Kinewarton, clerk, to answer to Ralf de Hengham in a plea of debt of 40*s*.; the sheriff of Warwick having returned at York, one month from Easter, that the said prior Robert and Adam had no lay fee. Witness, W. de Bereford.

York, 26 April, 32 Edward II. The archdeacon of Gloucester, or his official, is directed to certify execution within two days after the feast of S. Petronilla³.

Return :—The said clerks are enjoined to appear as above said

This writ came to Bredon, 14 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce in three weeks from the day of Holy Trinity, John de S. Faith, clerk⁴, to answer for exercising citations and other things which belong to the jurisdiction of the ordinary, in the King's chapel of S. Martin le Grand, London, which, with its prebends,

¹ Robert Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

² At the foot of this folio is written :—
Alia brevia secundo missa notantur infra in

tercio folio. See *post*, p. 205.

³ 31st May.

⁴ See *post*, p. 207.

is free and exempt from all jurisdiction of the ordinary, as are the King's other chapels in his kingdom; the sheriffs of London having returned on the morrow of the Ascension that the said John is beneficed in the diocese of Worcester and had no lay fee. Witness, R. le Brabazun.

York, 8 May, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester, or his official, is directed to certify execution within two days after the feast of S. Petronilla.

1304. Return:—The said John is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, 14 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce in three weeks from Holy Trinity, Robert Feneyl, John de Chilterham, James le Webbe, James le Bul, Richard Terry, Thomas de Cherlton, Ralf de Wynton, Patrick le Chapeleyn, Henry le Breton, William Kene, Robert de Stokwell, Walter le Tystour; Brother John de Bikenore, William de Wythendon, and Robert le Chapeleyn, clerks, to answer to the King for publicly inhibiting the sale of food and other necessities, in the town of Gloucester, to the prior and convent of S. Oswald of Gloucester, or purchasers from them; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned in fifteen days from Easter that the said clerks are beneficed in the diocese of Worcester, and have no lay fee. Witness, R. le Brabazun.

York, 7 May, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution within two days after the feast of S. Petronilla.

Return:—Robert Feneyl, John de Chiltcham, Robert de Stocwell, William le Tystour, Brother John de Bykenore, and William de Wythingdon are not beneficed in the diocese; William Kene and Robert le Chapeleyn are beneficed in the diocese, but since receipt of the writ they cannot be found.

This writ came to Bredon, 13 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce in three weeks from Holy Trinity the aforesaid fifteen clerks, commissaries of Robert, archbishop of Canterbury¹, to answer for exercising the jurisdiction of the ordinary in the

¹ Robert Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

church of S. Oswald of Gloucester, which is the King's free chapel, founded by the alms of his progenitors, and had always been exempt from such jurisdiction, and also for pronouncing the sentence of excommunication against the prior and convent of the said church, contrary to the King's prohibition; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned as in the preceding writ. Witness, R. le Brabazun.

York, 6 May, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to sequester the goods of the said clerks until the indemnity of the bishop is secured, and to certify execution within two days after the feast of S. Petronilla.

1304. Return:—None of the said clerks are beneficed in the diocese; Thomas de Cherleton, Ralf de Wynton, and Robert Chapeleyn, cannot be found since receipt of the writ.

(Folio 54.) This writ came to Bredon, 13 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce at York in the octave of Holy Trinity, Richard de Alecestre, executor of the will of Nicholas de Wodeford, formerly rector of the church of Fladebury, clerk¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 6 February, 32 Edward I.

Answer:—The said Richard is not beneficed in the diocese, as was returned to another writ in the octave of S. Hillary, therefore nothing has been done; but he is *vexatus* in the town of Alecestre.

R. le Porter, sheriff of Worcester, to the bailiff of Oswald. Execute the recited writ, directed to the said sheriff, dated at Strivelyn, 16 May, *anno* 32, the King being witness, to bind the bishop, by sureties and safe pledges, to appear in the octave of Holy Trinity to answer for not obeying the King's commands in admitting a fitting person to the vacant church of Doderhull, the presentation to which the King recovered at York against Robert², archbishop of Canterbury, John de Midilton, clerk, and the said bishop³, and to send to the said sheriff the names of the pledges on the morrow of Holy Trinity.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 136, 196.

² Robert de Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

³ See *ante*, p. 203.

1304. This writ came to Kemeseye, 2 Id. Jul., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy twenty-three marks of the goods of Simon de Prews, son of John de Prews of Great Twe, before the octave of S. Michael. Witness R. le Brabanzoun.

York, 6 June, 32 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to levy and send the said money before the feast of S. Matthew, apostle, and to enjoin the said rector to replace the fruits of his church in the soil or rectory house, under canonical penalty.

Return:—The goods of the said Simon have been sequestered to the value of twenty-three marks and exposed for sale, in order that the sum may be levied as soon as buyers can be found.

This writ came to Kemeseye, Id. Jul. Writ to the bishop to levy, and produce at York on the octave of S. Michael, fifteen marks of the goods of William de Apperley, dean of the church of Blessed Mary of Warwick¹. Whereas it was returned to the last writ that the said William had no ecclesiastical goods in the diocese, it has been testified in court that he is rector of the church of Thornbury, and has there sufficient goods in the diocese. Witness, W. de Bereford.

York, 13 June, 32 Edward I. The official of Worcester or the dean of Warwick is directed to levy the said money before the feast of S. Matthew.

Return:—Nothing can be found of the goods of the said W. de Apperley on which the said money can be levied; because, on the fifth day after receipt of this writ he resigned the said deanery, and afterwards, on the same day, was instituted to the church of Thornbury, from which he has yet received nothing except altar dues, which scarcely suffice for maintenance of the priests and ministers of the said church, the fruits of last autumn belonging to P. de Leycestre, the late rector, deceased. Between receipt of the writ and the said resignation no ecclesiastical goods of the said William de Apperley could be found on which the sum could be levied.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 199, 202.

This writ came to Wyk', 11 Kal. Aug. Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to bind the bishop to produce John de S. Faith in fifteen days from Michaelmas¹. Witness, R. le Brabazoun.

York, 20 June, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to sequester the goods of the said John before the feast of S. Michael.

(Folio 54*d*.) This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Kal. Aug. Writ to the bishop to produce at York on the octave of S. Michael, Walter de Berton, John de Rodbergh, and John de Stanweye, executors of the testament of Godfrey Gyffard, formerly bishop of Worcester, and Robert le Wyse of Gloucester, Henry, prior of S. James of Bristoll, Adam de Orleton and William de Bremmesgrave, executors of the Will of Bartholomew de Dyvises, co-executor with the said Walter, John, and John, to answer, together with Geoffrey de Hanbury, also co-executor, to John Gyffard of Boyton, for detaining two hundred charters; the sheriff of Wyltshire having returned at York, in fifteen days from Easter, that they have no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 20 June, 32 Edward I. The officials of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Michael.

Return:—The said John, John, Robert, Henry, and Adam, are enjoined to appear as above said: Walter de Berton died before receipt of the writ; William de Brimesgrave is not beneficed in the diocese.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 8 Id. Aug., 1304. Writ to the bishop, as several times previously, to levy 66*s*. 8*d*. of the ecclesiastical goods of Walter, rector of the church of Wolwardyngton, and to produce the same at York, in the octave of S. Michael, to be delivered to William de Stodley as part of eight marks recovered by him at York against the said Walter by an inquisition held before William de Bereford at Warwick, and also 100*s*. damages; the sheriff of Warwick having returned at York that the said Walter had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

¹ See *ante*, p. 203.

10 June, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to levy the said money before the feast of S. Matthew.

1304. Return :—A final settlement has been made concerning the said money by express consent of the parties, and therefore, at the request of the said William, nothing has been done.

This writ came to Worcester, 17 Kal. Sept., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in the octave of S. Michael, Richard de Tadyngton, rector of the church of Weston-upon-Avon, to answer to Adam de Staneweie, clerk, in a plea of debt of forty-five marks, arrears of a yearly rent of ten marks; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned at York that the said Richard had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 6 May, 32 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to sequester the fruits of the church of the said Richard before the feast of the exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Return :—The said Richard is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 3 Id. Aug. Writ to the bishop, as previously ordered, to expose for sale goods of John de Ebroicis, lately sequestered, to the value of twenty-three marks, according to return made at York, and to produce the money at York, in one month from Michaelmas¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 30 April, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to levy the said sum before the feast of the translation of S. Edward, King.

Return :—Twenty marks are sent by Ralf de Eevendale, and the remainder is being levied as quickly as possible.

This writ came to Hampton, 2 Kal. Sept., same year. Writ to the sheriff of Warwick to distrain the bishop by his lands and goods to produce J. de Stanwey, J. de Rodeberowe, Adam de Orleton, and William de Brimesgrave, at York on the morrow of S. Michael². Witness J. de L'Isle.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 193, 195, 198.

² *Ibid.*, pp. 194, 195, 196, 207. See *post*, p. 209.

York, 16 July, 32 Edward I. The archdeacons of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mathew, apostle.

1304. (Folio 55.) This writ came to Hampton-upon-Avon, 2 Kal. Sept., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at York, in one month from Michaelmas, John Blauncpayn, rector of the church of Wyccheford¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 16 June, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution within two days after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Return:—The said John of Blaunckpayn is enjoined to appear as above said.

Richard, rector of the church of Weston-upon-Avon, makes oath, before the bishop, to save him harmless touching a writ obtained against the said Richard by Adam de Stanweye; in presence of B. de Feriby, J. Caleys, and Brother W. de Eevendale. Thereupon, the sequestration of his ecclesiastical goods is released.

Hampton-upon-Avon, 3 Id. Sept.

John Blaunckpayn, rector of the church of Wycheford¹, takes oath to keep the day appointed to him, against R. Blound, and to save the bishop harmless touching the plea between them; in presence of B. de Feriby, T. de Stratton, J. Caleys, and G. de Conyngham, clerks. As to the violation of the sequestration, objected against him, he is dismissed in peace. The dean is orally enjoined to supply him with 40s. for his expenses in going to court and returning, and to provide necessities for his household until his return, the sequestration otherwise remaining in force. Afterwards the said John brings a writ directed to the bishop to release the sequestration, which the dean is directed to do.

Bishop's Hampton, 16 Kal. Oct.

John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredyngton, promises, on the word of God, in good faith, to pay to the bishop 46s. 8d.,

¹ See *ante*, p. 200.

part of twenty-three marks and a-half which the King has commanded the bishop to levy of the said John's goods; so that the bishop shall have the said 46s. 8*d.* when the next writ comes, or on the feast of the Circumcision; in presence of W. de Wotton, J. de Rodeberwe, clerks and commissaries of the bishop, J. Caley and Gilbert de Conyngham¹.

Bercheston, 12 Kal. Nov.

1304. This writ came to Alvynechirch, 5 Id. Nov., 1304. Writ to the bishop, as before, to distrain Henry de Uppehavene, executor of the former rector of Campeden, deceased, to appear at Westminster in the octave of S. Hillary, to answer, together with Laurence de Uppehavene, John de Campeden their co-executors, and Hugh, abbot of Hayles, to William de Beresford, Walter de Aylesbury, and the other executors of the testament of Edmund, formerly earl of Cornwall, deceased, in a plea of debt of 155*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.*; no return having been made on the morrow of S. Michael to the last writ. Witness, W. de Carleton.

York, 12 October, 32 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before Christmas.

Return :—The said Henry is distrained to appear as above said.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 2 Kal. Dec., same year. Writ to the bishop to distrain Robert, rector of the church of Haleford, to appear at Westminster in fifteen days from S. Hillary, to answer to Walter de Bernthorp and the other executors of the testament of Peter de Leycestre, formerly baron of the exchequer, deceased, for forcibly entering the parsonage-houses of the said church which the said Peter held at farm for a term not yet expired, and detaining his goods found there, together with the fruits and profits of the said church, to the value of 60*l.*; the sheriff of Warwick having returned on the morrow of S. Michael last, that the said Robert had no lay fee. Witness, W. de Carleton.

York, 12 November, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to sequester the ecclesiastical goods of the said Robert before the feast of S. Hillary.

Return :—The said Robert is distrained to appear as above said.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 194, 195, 196, 208.

1304. This writ came¹ 2 Non. Dec. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in three weeks from Easter, fifteen marks of the goods of William de Apperle, dean of the church of Blessed Mary of Warwick². Witness, W. de Bereford.

York, 4 November, 32 Edward I. The official of the arch-deacon of Gloucester is directed to levy the said money before Easter.

Return:—William de Aperley died before the feast of the Purification, and although he was rector of the church of Thornbury he received nothing during his tenure of the said church, except altar dues, and since receipt of this writ nothing has been found upon which the said money can be levied, because the altar dues scarcely sufficed for the maintenance of the priests and ministers of the said church, and the fruits of the next autumn will belong to the future rector, not to the deceased.

(Folio 55d.) These writs came¹ 14 Kal. Aug. Writ to the bishop to admit a fitting person, on the King's presentation, to the church of Doderhull, the King having recovered the said presentation against the said bishop³. Witness, R. le Brabanzoun.

York, 10 July, 32 Edward I.

Similar writ, stating that the King has recovered the said presentation against Robert, archbishop of Canterbury⁴.

Same date.

Similar writ, stating that the King has recovered the said presentation against John de Middelton.

Same date.

Similar writ, stating that the King has recovered the said presentation against the prior of Worcester.

Same date.

This writ came to Ambresley, 14 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, on the octave of the Purification, Robert

¹ A space is left for the place.

² See *ante*, pp. 199, 202, 206.

³ See *ante*, pp. 203, 205.

⁴ Robert Winchelsey, 1294—1313.

Bulwynch, clerk, to answer to William le Herbejour, in a plea of debt of eighteen marks; the sheriff of Worcester having returned at York, three weeks from Michaelmas, that the said Robert had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 26 October, 32 Edward I. The official of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Vincent¹.

1304. Return:—The said Robert is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Hertelbury, 12 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. Hillary, Walter, rector of the church of Buclonde, to answer to John of Kynges Norton, rector of the church of Welneford, in a plea of debt of eight marks, 2s.; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned at York, in fifteen days from Michaelmas, that the said Walter had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 8 November, 32 Edward I. The official of the arch-deacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

Return:—The said Walter is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Hertilbury, 7 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. Hillary, John de Hanleye, rector of the church of Elmeleye under Elmeleye Castle, and Henry de Eclesbergh, rector of the church of Sheldesleye¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 8 November, 32 Edward I.

Return:—The said John and Henry are enjoined to appear as aforesaid.

This writ came, the same day and place. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. Hillary, John Nouel, Jordan, rector of the church of Hamton Moigne, and

¹ See *ante*, p. 200.

William, rector of the church of Stoke Prior¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 27 October, 32 Edward I. The officials of Worcester and Gloucester are directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

1304. Return:—The said Jordan and William are enjoined to appear as aforesaid. The said John Nowell is not beneficed in the diocese.

This writ came to Hertlebury, 3 Kal. Jan. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. Hillary, Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to answer to Roger de Beaufoy in a plea of debt of 70*l.*; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned at York in fifteen days from Michaelmas that the said Simon had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 11 November, 32 Edward I. The official of Gloucester or the dean of Stonehouse is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

Return:—The said Simon is enjoined to appear as above said.

(Folio 56.) This writ came to Hertelbury, 4 Non. Jan. Writ to the bishop to expose for sale, to the value of 46*s.* 8*d.*, the sequestered goods of John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredington, and to produce the money at Westminster in fifteen days from S. Hillary². Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 31 October, 32 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution within the octave of S. Hillary.

Return:—40*s.* are sent, and 6*s.* 8*d.* are being levied.

This writ came, 3 Non. Jan., same year. Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to distrain the bishop to produce at Westminster, in the octave of S. Hillary, Richard de Tadyngton, parson of the church of Weston-upon-Avon. Witness, R. de Hengham.

¹ See *ante*, p. 194.

² *Ib.*, pp. 208, 209.

York, 25 October, 32 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to cite the said Richard to appear, and to sequester his goods before the said octave.

1305. This writ came to Hertlebury, 3 Non. Jan., same year. Writ to the bishop to distrain Robert le Whyte, rector of the church of Nafford, to appear at Westminster in the octave of S. Hillary, to answer to Adam de Hervynton, chamberlain of the exchequer, in a plea of debt of 100s.; the sheriff of Worcester having returned in the octave of S. Martin last, that the said Robert had no lay fee. Witness, J. de L'Isle.

York, 28 November, 33 Edward I. The dean of Pershore is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Hillary.

Return :—The said Robert is distrained to appear as above said.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 6 Id. Jan., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. Hillary, Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tetteburi, to answer to Hugh of Little Barton, in a plea of debt of 60s. and three robes, arrears of a yearly rent of 20s. and one robe; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned at York, in fifteen days from S. Michael, that the said Simon had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

York, 26 October, 32 Edward I. The official of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the octave of S. Hillary.

Return :—The said Simon is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Hilyngdon, 5 Id. Febr. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster in three weeks from the Purification, 60s. of the ecclesiastical goods and chattels of Robert le Wyte rector of the church of Nafford. Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 6 February, 33 Edward I. The dean of Pershore is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Kalixtus, pope.

Return :—No ecclesiastical goods of the said Robert have been found whence the said money can be levied..

1305. This writ came to London, 3 Non. Mar., same year. Writ to the bishop to expose the goods of John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredynton, to the value of 6s. 8*d.*, for sale, and produce the said sum at Westminster in fifteen days from Easter¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 18 February, 33 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to levy the said money before Easter.

Return:—6s. 8*d.* is sent by Richard de Bikirton, the bishop's attorney.

(Folio 56*d.*) This writ came to Hilyngdon, 14 Kal. Apr., 1304. Writ to the bishop to distrain Robert, rector of the church of Halleford, to appear at Westminster, in fifteen days from Easter, to answer to Robert in le Wylewes and the other executors of the testament of Peter de Leycestre, formerly baron of the exchequer, deceased². Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 9 March, 33 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution before Easter.

Return:—The said Robert is distrained to appear as above said.

1305. Here begins the year of the Incarnation of the Lord, 1305.

This writ came to Wythingdon, 13 Kal. Maii, same year. Writ to the sheriff of Warwick to distrain the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from Easter, the prior of S. James of Bristoll, Robert de Gloucestre, and Adam de Orleton³. Witness, W. de Berford.

Westminster, 24 January, 33 Edward I. R. de Sutton, sequestrator, is directed to certify execution before the feast of the apostles, Philip and James.

This writ came to Wythyndon, 13 Kal. Maii, same year. Writ to the bishop to distrain John de Wathecote, Thomas de Watheford,

See *ante*, p. 213.

² *Ib.*, p. 210.

³ *Ib.*, p. 207.

and Laurence de Sutton, clerks, to appear at Westminster in fifteen days from Easter, to answer together with Richard de Chyrython, Richard de la Lee, and William Blaunkpayn, to John de Rodburgh, Geoffrey de Henbury, and John de Staneweye, executors of the testament of G[odfrey] Gyffard, formerly bishop of Worcester, in a plea of debt of two hundred and twenty-five marks; the sheriffs of Warwick and Leicester having made return that the said John, Thomas, and Laurence have no lay fee. Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 2 March, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of the Apostles, Philip and James.

1305 Return:—There is no one named John de Watcote beneficed in the diocese. Laurence de Sutton died before receipt of this writ. Thomas de Watheford has not been found and is not beneficed in the diocese.

This writ came to Wythyngdon, 13 Kal. Maii, 1305. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, John de Wambergh, rector of the church of Russendon Basset, Nicholas de Stafford, rector of the church of Sudleye, and Godfrey, rector of the church of Weston, to answer to John de Rodeberghe, John de Staneweye, and Geoffrey de Henbury, executors of the testament of Godfrey Gyffard, formerly bishop of Worcester, in a plea of debt of 40s. from the said John de Wambergh, together with John Nouel, of forty marks from the said Nicholas, and of 40s. from the said Godfrey; the sheriff of Worcester having returned in fifteen days from S. Hillary that they have no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 12 February, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of Whitsuntide.

Return:—The said John and Nicholas are enjoined to appear as above said. Godfrey is not at present beneficed in the diocese, and was not when the writ was received.

This writ came to Wythingdon, 12 Kal. Maii, same year. Writ to the bishop as before, to produce, in three weeks from Easter,

Nicholas, rector of the church of Haselovere, to answer to Nicholas de Tresel in a plea of assault committed at Overesleye by Alyncestre, whereby the life of the said Nicholas de Tresel was despaired of, to his damages of 40*l*. Witness, R. le Brabazon.

Westminster, 17 February, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross¹.

1305. Return:—The said Nicholas is enjoined to appear as above said. No other writ has been received concerning this matter.

(Folio 57.) This writ came to Wythingdon, 8 Kal. Maii. Thomas de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucester, to the bailiff of Derhurst. Bind the bishop to produce at Westminster, in three weeks from Easter, Simon de Prewes, parson of the church of Tettebury, to answer to Hugh of Little Barton², and certify execution to the said sheriff at Gloucester before the feast of S. George. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to sequester the goods of the said Simon and to cite him to appear as aforesaid, before the feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross.

This writ came, the same day and place. Thomas de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucester, to [the bailiff of Derhurst]. Bind the bishop to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, the said Simon de Prewes, to answer to Roger de Beaufoy³, and to certify execution to the said sheriff at Gloucester before the feast of Whitsuntide.

This writ came to Kemesey, 3 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce the prior of Wotton at Westminster, in fifteen days from S. John the Baptist's day, to answer, together with brother John de Brocia, to the prior of the Hospital of S. John of Jerusalem in England; and brother John Ceresi, in a plea of debt of ten marks; the sheriff of Warwick having returned at York that the said prior had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

¹ 3rd May.

² See *ante*, p. 198.

³ *Ib.*, p. 201.

Westminster, 8 May, 33 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution before the said feast of S. John.

1305. Return:—The prior of Wotton is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, 2 Non. Jun. Thomas de Gardino, sheriff of Gloucester, to the bailiff of Thornbury. Execute the recited writ, directed to the said sheriff, dated at S. Alban's, 2 May, *anno* 33, the King being witness, to summon twelve free and lawful men of the neighbourhood of Thornbury to be at Westminster in the octave of Holy Trinity to ascertain who presented the last parson, who is dead, to the church of Thornbury, which is vacant, the advowson of which is claimed by the abbot of Teokesbury, and summon the bishop who deforced the said advowson to appear on the said day; and certify execution to the said sheriff of Gloucester before the feast of Whitsuntide.

These writs came to Kemesey, 17 Kal. Jul. Writ to the sheriff to bind the bishop to produce Robert Bolvynch, clerk, at Westminster in the octave of S. John the Baptist, and to shew cause why he did not produce him on the morrow of the Purification. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 12 February, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution within two days after the feast of the Nativity of S. John.

Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to bind the bishop to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, John Nowel, clerk, Jordan, rector of the church of Hampton Moigne, and William, rector of the church of Stoke Prior¹. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 12 February, same year. The officials of Worcester and Gloucester are directed as above said.

Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to bind the bishop to produce on the said day, John de Henley, rector of the church of Henley²,

¹ See *ante*, p. 194.

² *Sic*, but of Emley, see *ante*, pp. 196, 200.

and Henry de Decchelesberg, rector of the church of Sheldesley. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 10 February, same year. The official of the arch-deacon of Worcester is directed to execute the said writ.

1305. Robert Bolvynch, vicar of Doderhull, takes oath to save the bishop harmless touching a writ obtained against the said Robert by reason of which the bishop has been distrained, as appears by the third writ above. Thereupon, the sequestration of the goods of the said vicar is released.

Kemesey, 9 Kal. Jul., 1305.

This writ came to Hertilbury, 4 Kal. Jul., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy and produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. Michael, 40s. of the goods of John de Ebroicis, clerk, due to the King for a writ, the sheriff of Worcester having testified in his account to the exchequer that the said John had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Carleton.

Westminster, 4 June, 33 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution before the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and to warn the said rector to replace the autumn fruits in the soil of his church, not in a lay fee, if he would wish to escape canonical punishment.

Return:—40s. of the ecclesiastical goods of the said John rector of the church of Tredyngton, are sent by the present bearer.

(Folio 57*d*.) This writ came to Wolverhampton¹, 2 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop, empowering him to accept attorneys for the abbot of Pershore in a dispute in the exchequer between the King and the said abbot, concerning distraint for two hundred marks by which the abbot compounded with the King for his service in Gascony. Witness, the King.

Fyndon, 19 June, 33 Edward I.

[Return:—] The attorneys of the abbot of Pershore in the said dispute are Alexander de Befford and Ralf called Gyffard.

¹ *Sic*, but obviously a mistake, possibly for Wolwardington.

1305. Writ to the bishop to levy from ecclesiastical goods and benefices and to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. Margaret, the following sums due to the King from clerks having no lay fee:—

From the parson of the church of Ambresleye, 33s. 8d. From the vicar of the church of Estleye, 4s. From the prior of Wotton, for his portion in the church of Wytleye, 13d. From the parson of the church of Sraneleye¹, 5s. From the parson of the church of Scheldesleye, 4s. 4d. From the prior of Wotton for his portion in the same, 2s. 8d. From the prior of Newent, in the same, 2s. From the parson of the church of Holt, 9s. 4d. From the vicar of the same, 4s. From the parson of the church of Marteleye, 41s. 4d. From the abbot of Cormell, in the same, 2s. 8d. From the prior of Newente, in the chapel of Arleye, 4d. From the parson of the church of Kelygwyk, 4s. From the parson of S. Andrew of Worcester, 4s. From the parson of the church of S. Martin, 12s. From the parson of the church of S. Alban, 3s. From the vicar of the church of Kemeseye, 4s. 4d. From the parson of the church of S. Nicholas of Worcester, 3s. 4d. From the vicar of the church of Wyke, 3s. 4d. From the vicar of the church of Grimeleye, 4s. 4d. From the abbot of Cormell, in the church of Sockeleye², 3s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Acton, 13s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Mathine, 21s. From the parson of the church of Upton, 12s. From the vicar of the church of Langedon, 4s. From the parson of the church of Berga, 8s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Rodmerleye, 11s. 8d. From the prior of Little Malvern, in the church of Eldesfeld, 20s. From the parson of the church of Hanleye, 13s. 4d. From the abbot of Lira, in the same, 21s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Maderesfeld, 4s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Elmelode, 2s. 8d. From the parson of the church of Poywyk, 49s. 8d. From John de Saham, for his portion in the same, 12s. From the parson of the church of Little Malvern, 2s. From the parson of the church of Haggeleye, 8s. 8d. From the parson of the church of Old Swyneford, 24s. From the parson of the church of Clent, 37s. 4d. From the parson of the church of Duddeleye, 6s. 8d. From the vicar of the same,

¹ On folio 60:—Scraneleye.

² On folio 60:—Stokleye.

4*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Chadesleye, 30*s.* From the parson of the church of Elmeleye Lovet, 19*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Kyderministre, 40*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Churchull, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Brome, 8*s.* From the parson of the church of Yerdeleye, 24*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Brockton, 36*s.* From the parson of the church of Wlvardeleye, 12*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Northfield, 16*s.* From the parson of the church of Stoke Prior, 30*s.* 8*d.* From the vicar of the church of Bremesgrave, 8*s.* From the parson of the church of Opton Waryn, 17*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Haddessore, 5*s.* 4*d.* From the vicar of the church of Terdebugg, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Hampton Lovet, 14*s.* 2*d.* From the parson of the church of Salewarp, 28*s.* From the parson of the church of Merton, 10*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Dudderhull, 56*s.* From the parson of the church of S. Andrew of Wych, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of S. Mary of Wych, 10*s.* From the parson of the church of S. Peter of Wytton, 4*s.* From the vicar of the same, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Alvenechirch, 40*s.* From the parson of the church of Tuenygg, 15*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Overebury, 32*s.* From the parson of the church of Elmeleye, 12*s.* From the vicar of Clive Prior, 3*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Little Cumboynton, 8*s.* From the parson of the church of Strengesham, 18*s.* From the parson of the chapel of Burlyngham, 4*s.* 2*d.* From the prior of Little Malvern, in the same, 6*d.* From the vicar of the church of Lenche Roolf, 4*s.* 2*d.* From the prior of the church of Lench Randulf, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Inteberwe, 10*s.* From the vicar of the same, 8*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Doryneston, 2*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Herferton, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Abbot's Morton, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Newynton, 4*s.* 10*d.* From the parson of the church of Grafton, 8*s.* From the parson of the church of Humelton, 4*s.* 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Ebrishton, 4*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Ekynton, 6*s.* 8*d.* From the vicar of the church of Croule, 8*s.* From the parson of the church of Upton, 10*s.* From the parson of the church of Feckenham, 33*s.* 4*d.* From the vicar of the same, 13*s.* 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Hulcromb, 4*s.* 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.*

From the parson of the church of Byssampton, 7s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Kyngton, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Bredon, 26s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Ryppel, 53s. 4*d.* From the parson of the chapel of Wenlonde, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of S. Nicholas of Warwick, 8s. 4*d.* From the canons, for heir portions in the church of S. Michael, 13*d.* From the parson of the church of S. Peter, 3s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of S. Lawrence, 11s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Bodebrok, 22s. 10*d.* From the parson of the church of Haseleye, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Rowynton, 13s. 4*d.* From the vicar of the same, 5s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Tane-worth, 66s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Lappeworth, 11s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Ippesley, 8s. From the vicar of the church of Spernore, 4s. From the parson of the church of Cotton, 5s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 8s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Arwe, 20s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Kynewarton, 16s. From the parson of the church of Wotton, 69s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Ulleberwe, 21s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Morton Baget, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Preston, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Claverdon, 31s. From the vicar of the same, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Wolwardynton, 26s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the church of Aston Cantilou, 3s. 4*d.* From the vicar of the church of Grafton, 3s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Eglishale, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Budeford, 11s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Saleford, 21s. 4*d.* From the vicar of the same, 6s. 8*d.* From the prebendary of Nicholas and formerly of Warin, in the church of S. Mary of Warwick, 3s. 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Norhamton, in the same, 8s. 8*d.* From the prebend of Richard de Preston, in the same, 4s. From the prebend formerly of Peter de Leycestre, in the same, 5s. 4*d.* From the prebend of the prior of the Holy Sepulchre, in the same, 8*d.* From the prior of Kenilworth, for his portions, 12s. 8½*d.* From the parson of the church of Wycheneford, 10s. From the parson of the church of Barton, 5s. From the parson of the church of Bercheston, 5s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Aderiston, 8s. From the parson of the church of Etyndon, 28s. From the parson of the church of Haleford, 9s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of

Walecot, 8s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Brayles, 27s. 4*d*. From the vicar of the same, 12s. From the parson of the church of Ilmyndon, 20s. From the parson of the church of Wytchirch, 16s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Tyssos, 40s. From the vicar of the same, 8s. From the parson of the church of Oxsulne, 10s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Honynton, 10s. From the parson of the church of Little Compton, 10s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Pyllardynton, 13s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Kyngton, 28s. From the vicar of the same, 8s. From the parson of the church of Lythurn, 34s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Merston Botiler, 8s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Morton, 10s. From the parson of the church of Wellesburn, 29s. 4*d*. From the vicar of the same, 7s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Lockesleye, 13s. 4*d*. From the vicar of the same, 3s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Stratford, 46s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Newbold, 8s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Bishop's Hampton, 53s. 4*d*. From the chapel of Cherlcot, 7s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Tredynton, 53s. 4*d*. From the prior of Kenilworth, for his portions, 9s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Seynebury, 13s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Burton, 4s. 6*¾d*. From the chapel of Shesene-cote, 2s. 8*d*. From the chapel of Stratton, 2s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Ewynelode, 8s. From the chapel of Bagesore, 4s. From the abbot of Bruere, in the same, 16*d*. From the archdeacon of Worcester, for his portions, 40s. From the parson of the church of S. Stephen of Bristoll, 5s. 6*d*. From the parson of the church of S. John of Bristoll (**Folio 58**), 4s. From the parson of the church of S. Laurence, 3s. 5*¼d*. From the parson of the church of S. Michael of Bristoll, 4s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of All Saints of Bristoll, 3s. 10*d*. From the parson of the church of S. Augustine the Less, 4s. 8*d*.¹ From the parson of the church of S. Nicholas of Bristoll, 4s. From the vicar of the same, 5s. From the parson of the church of S. James, 15s. 4*d*. From the parson of the church of Clyfton, 3s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Litleton, 20s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Wynterburn, 20s. 8*d*. From the parson of the church of Stoke Giffard, 20s. From the chapel of Filton, 10s. From the parson of the church of Almundes-

¹ On folio 59*d*:—4s. 7*d*.

bury, 12s. 6*d.* From the vicar of the same, 4s. From the parson of the church of Olveston, 52s. 8*d.* From the prior of Newent, in the same, 14s. $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.* From the abbot of Morgan, 6*d.* From the chapel of Tokynton, 4s. From Richard de Vienna, for his prebend in Westbury, 13s. 4*d.* From Nicholas de Wodeford, for his prebend, 20s. 8*d.* From the prebend formerly of Peter de Leycestre, 13s. 4*d.* From the prebend of Robert de Wych, 13s. 4*d.* From the prebend of John de Bereford, 6s. 8*d.* From the prior of S. James, for his portions, 19½*d.* From the parson of the church of Thornbury, 63s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Rokampton, 6s. 2½*d.* From the parson of the church of Slymbrugg, 28s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Camme, 14s. 3½*d.* From the parson of the church of Frompton, 10s. From the vicar of the same, 4s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Beverston, 10s. From the parson of the church of Iweleye, 8s. 1¼*d.* From the parson of the church of Oselworth, 13s. From the parson of the church of Wotton, with vicarage, 41s. From the abbot of Kyngeswode, for his portions¹, 4s. 1½*d.* From the parson of the church of Horton, 12s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Areley, 9s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Dodemerton, 3s. 5¼*d.* From the parson of the church of Great Badmynton, 13s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Oldebury, 2s. 9¼*d.* From the chapel of Charfeld, 10s. From the parson of the church of Torteworth, xxiijs. From the parson of the church of Weston, 10s. From the parson of the church of Cromhale, 14s. From the parson of the church of Tyderynton, 19s. 1½*d.* From the parson of the church of Wykewarre, 8s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Boxwell, 5s. From the parson of the church of Ireneacton, 10s. From the parson of the church of Acton Turvyle, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Great Solbury, 20s. From the vicar of the same, 10s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Little Solbiry, 4s. From the parson of the church of Hodynton, 7s. 7*d.* From the vicar of the church of Marsfeld, 5s. From the parson of the church of Button, 53s. 4*d.* From the portions of the church of Salisbury, with portion of the vicar, 12s. From the parson of the church of Siston, 4s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Pokelechirch, 33s. 4*d.* From the portion of the sacristan of Glastonbury, in the same, 2s. 6*d.* From the parson of the church of Frompton, 6s. 8*d.* From

¹ Folio 59*d.*:—portion.

the parson of the church of Termarton, 20s. 4*d.* From the prior of Little Malvern, in the church of Icombe, 15*d.* From the abbot of Hayles, for his portions, 14*d.* From the parson of the church of Schevyndon, 26s. From the parson of the church of Todenham, 14s. 8*d.* From the parson of the church of Ebryhton, 11s. 10*d.* From the parson of Mikelton, 11s. 4*d.* From the parson of Preston-upon-Stoure, 17s. 4*d.* From the parson of Weston-upon-Avon, 5s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 4s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Weston-under-Egge, 18s. 4*d.* From the parson of the church of Wykewan, 30s. 8*d.* From the parson of Aston Somervyle, 6s. 4*d.* From the parson of Hyneton, 12s. From the parson of Stanton, 4s. 4*d.* From the vicar of Staneweye, 8s. From the parson of Hayl, 16s. From the parson of Todynton, 12s. 4*d.* From the parson of Kynemarton, 36s. From the parson of Clifford, 6s. From the abbot of Lira, for his portions in the chapel of Bisseleye, 2s. 8*d.* From the parson of Chiltenham, 24s. From the parson of Begeworth, 4s. 4*d.* From the prior of Scroguyll, in the same, 3s. 4*d.* From the chapel of Haderleye, 6s. 8*d.* From the dean of Hereford, for his portions in the churches of Prestebury and Sevenhampton, 20s. From the precentor of Hereford, for his portions in the same, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of Schypton, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of Colesburn, 4s. 4*d.* From the vicar of Prestebury, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of the chapel of Hasfeld, 5s. From the parson of the chapel of Wolsinton, 3s. 8*d.* From the parson of Bishop's Clyve, 100s. From the vicar of Froucestre, 10s. From the parson of Frethorn, 4s. 8*d.* From the parson of Morton, 26s. 8*d.* From the parson of the chapel of Mattesdon, 2s. 8*d.* From the vicar of Asleworth, 4s. 4*d.* From the abbot of Lira, for his portion in the church of S. Owen of Gloucester, 2s. From the parson of Wappeleye, 7s. From the vicar of the same, 2s. 4*d.* From the parson of Tettebury, 52s. From the abbot of Kygeswod, in the same, 3s. 6½*d.* From the parson of Eston, 23s. 4*d.* From the abbot of Stanle in Wylteshire, in the church of Opton, 2s. 8*d.* From the parson of Durham, 21s. From the parson of Schipton Moigne, 14s. From the parson of Hampton Moigne, 21s. 4*d.* From the parson of Stonhous, 21s. 4*d.* From the parson of King Stanley, 5s. 8*d.* From the parson of Brumefeld, 10s. From the abbot of Flexle, in the same, 2s. 6*d.* From the parson of the second portion in the church of Byseley, 14s. 4*d.* From the vicar

of the same, in the same, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of Syde, 3s. 4*d.* From the parson of Conleya, 5s. From the parson of Elkeston, 10s. 10*d.* From the parson of Eggesworth, 6s. 4*d.* From the prior of Beaver, for his portion in the church of Saperton, 16*d.* From the parson of Cutherleye, 10s. From the parson of Rodmarton, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of Thorlton, 3s. 7*d.* From the parson of Wynston, 4s. 8*d.* From the parson of Nymdefeld, 5s. 4*d.*¹ From the parson of Cyrencestre, 28s. 8*d.* From the parson of Cotes, 11s. From the parson of Stratton, 6s. From the vicar of the same, 4s. From the parson of Dagelynworth, 5s. 7½*d.* From the parson of Knight's Duntiesburn, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of Abbot's Duntiesburn, 5s. 10*d.* From the parson of Northcerneye, 37s. 8*d.* From the parson of Ryndecumbe, 8s. 4*d.* From the parson of Hampton, 3s. 4*d.* From the parson of Tormarton, 20s. From the vicar of Northlech, 4s. From the parson of Chaddeworth, 16s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 5s. From the parson of Culn S. Denis, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of Culn Roger, 4s. From the parson of Ameneye S. Mary, 4s. 6*d.* From the parson of Dryffeld, 4*d.* From the parson of Preston, 2s. 6*d.* From the parson of Cerneye Miles, 20s. From the chapel of Barndesleye, 7s. From the abbot of Cyrencestre, for his portions, 6½*d.* From the vicar of the church of Schirburn, 5s. From the parson of Letchelad, 10s. From the vicar of the same, 10s. From the parson of Hethrop, 16s. 4*d.* From the parson of Lech S. Andrew, 22s. 8*d.* From the parson of Lech S. Martin, 24s. From the parson of Faireford, 20s. From the vicar of Kynemerford, 7s. 4*d.* From the parson of Hampton Mesi, 20s. From the vicar of the same, 2s. From the vicar of Donameneye, for the bishop of Worcester, 6s. From the parson of Ameneye S. Cross, 10s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 2s. From the parson of Quenynton, 9s. 4*d.* From the parson of Borton, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of Upper Sloultre, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of Eynord, 4s. From the parson of Great Rysyndon, 3s. From the vicar of Turkeden, 2s. From the parson of Nategrave, 6s. 8*d.* From the parson of Aston Magna, 18s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 8s. 8*d.* From the parson of Schypton, 2s. 6*d.* From the parson of Longa Berga, 13s. 4*d.* From the parson of Lower Swelle, 3s. 8*d.* From the vicar of the same, 2s. 8*d.* From the parson

¹ Here follows, on folio 60 :—From the abbot of Kingeswode, for his portions, 6s. 3½*d.*

of Wydeford, 2s. 8*d*. From the parson of Upper Swelle, 5*s*. From the parson of Stowe, 16*s*. From the parson of Sutton, 5*s*. 4*d*. From the parson of Otindon, 14*s*. 8*d*. From the parson of Bladynton, 4*s*. 4*d*. From the vicar of Rowell, 3*s*. 4*d*. From the parson of Rysindon Basset, 14*s*. From the parson of Cumbe, 5*s*. 4*d*. From the parson of Wyke Rysyndon, 4*s*. 4*d*. From the vicar of the church of Newynton, 8*s*. 8*d*. From the parson of Yccnecumb¹, 5*s*. 4*d*. From the vicar of the same, 8*s*. 8*d*. From the parson of S. Mary in the south, 10*s*. From the abbess of Godestowe, in the same, 2*s*. From the parson of Holy Trinity, 5*s*. 4*d*. From the parson of S. Martin, 6*s*. From the parson of S. John, 7*s*. 8*d*. From the parson of S. Oswald, 40*s*. From the chapel of Wydecumb, 4*s*. From the chapel of Lassyndon, 4*s*. From the parson(s) of the churches of Harssecumbe and of Pychencumbe, 4*s*. From the prior of Hereford, for his portions, 10*s*. 6*d*. From the issues of the archdeaconry of Gloucester, 30*s*. 8*d*.

Witness, the King.

Cicestre, 15 June, 33 Edward I. By the council.

1305. (Folio 58*d*.) Return:—This writ was delivered on Monday next after the feast of S. John the Baptist last. The said money could not be levied in so short a time, in so wide a bishopric; nor can it be levied, in any way, before the autumn.

This writ came to Alvynechirch, 15 Kal. Aug., 1305. Writ to the bishop to admit a fitting person to the church of Thornebury at the presentation of the abbot of Tewkesbury, who has recovered the said presentation against the bishop, by judgement of the King's court. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 9 July, 33 Edward I.

This writ came to Alvechirch, 12 Kal. Aug., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy 70*l*. of the goods of Simon de Prewes, parson of the church of Tettebury, and to produce the same at Westminster in fifteen days from Michaelmas². Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 8 July, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Michael.

¹ On folio 60:—Iccombe.

² See *ante*, p. 198.

1305. Return :—18*l.* are sent ; the goods of the said Simon are sequestered to the further value of 18*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and are kept under strict custody. Of this sum, 100*s.* is deducted for debts to the King, also the charges of the said church, and necessary provision for the rector and ministers ; the remainder, if there is any, shall be faithfully delivered to Roger de Beaufoy before the autumn.

This writ came to Hampton-upon-Avon, 2 Non. Aug., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy ten marks of the goods of Walter, son of Warin, parson of the church of Upton, and to produce the same at Westminster on the octave of S. Michael, to be delivered to Robert de la Chaumbre, servant of W.¹, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, treasurer ; the said Robert having recovered the said sum against the said Walter, in a plea of trespass in the court of exchequer². Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 15 July, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mathew, apostle.

Return :—The goods of the said Walter are sequestered to the value of ten marks, in order that the said sum may be levied as soon as buyers can be found.

This writ came to Gloucester, 18 Kal. Sept. Writ to the bishop to produce Simon de Prewes, parson of the church of Tettebury, at Westminster, in fifteen days from Michaelmas, to answer to Hugh of Little Barton³. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 20 May, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mathew, Apostle.

Return :—The said Simon is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Gloucester 18 Kal. Sept. Writ to the bishop to produce John de Ebroicis, clerk, at Westminster, in fifteen days from Michaelmas, to answer to John Hurel, of Chester, in a plea of debt of ten marks ; the sheriff of Worcester having

¹ Walter Langton, 1296—1321.

² See *ante*, p. 194, *post*, p. 231.

³ *Ib.*, p. 198.

made return in three weeks from Easter day, that the said John had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 24 May, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mathew, Apostle.

1305. [Return:—] John de Ebroicis, rector of the church of Tredyngton, is enjoined to appear as above said.

(Folio 59.) This writ came to Gloucester, 18 Kal. Sept. Writ to the bishop to produce, in one month from Michaelmas, Hugh de Dynesley, vicar of the church of Stonhus¹, to answer to Geoffrey de Stonhus for bringing a plea in a court Christian, concerning chattells and debts not connected with a testamentary or matrimonial case. Witness, R. le Brabanzon.

Westminster, 6 July, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mathew, Apostle.

Return:—The said Hugh is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, Id. Aug., 1305. Writ to the bishop to levy from ecclesiastical goods and benefices, and to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from Michaelmas, sums due to the King from clerks having no lay fee².

Witness, the King.

Ledes, 27 July, 33 Edward I. By the council.

(Folio 60.) Return:—Nothing can be levied because the cause of the demand is in no way expressed in the writ, and the persons named therein will not pay anything unless a separate acquittance is given to each, containing the special cause of demand.

This writ came to Hampton-upon-Avon, 4 Non. Sept., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in the octave of S. Martin, Robert Pocok, rector of the church of Broc-

¹ See *post*, p. 238.

those named in the writ, dated 15 June,

² The sums and debtors are the same as 33 Edward I., *ante*, p. 220.

ton Haket, executor of the testament of Robert de Newynton, formerly rector of the church of Bishampton, to answer, together with Alexander de Befford, to Roger de Bradwardyn and Alice his wife, in a plea of debt of 20*l.*; the sheriff of Worcester having made return in the octave of S. John the Baptist that the said Robert had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 6 July, 33 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Luke the Evangelist.

1305. Return:—The said Robert is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to London, 12 Kal. Oct., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy and produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. Michael, two marks of the goods of Robert le Wythe, rector of the church of Nafford, being part of 66*s.* 8*d.* which the said Robert has owed for long to Adam de Horewynton, chamberlain of the Exchequer¹. Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 16 July, 33 Edward I. The dean of Persore is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Michael.

There will be no return to this last writ.

(Folio 60*d.*) This writ came to London, 8 Kal. Oct., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in the octave of S. Michael, Nicholas de Batheneston, executor of the testament of Nicholas de Wodeford, formerly parson of the church of Fladebury, clerk². Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 24 June, 33 Edward I.

Return:—This writ was delivered at London on Friday next before the feast of S. Michael last, and, because it came so late, nothing could be done.

This writ came to Hilington, 8 Id. Oct., same year. Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to distrain the bishop to produce at Westminster, in fifteen days from Michaelmas, Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to answer to Hugh of Little Barton³. Witness, R. de Hengham.

¹ See *ante*, p. 214.

² *Ib.*, p. 196.

³ *Ib.*, pp. 213, 214.

1305. Westminster, 20 May, 33 Edward I. By reason of certain other writs, all the goods of the said rector have been sequestered by the official, and Robert de Sutton who brought this writ said that he had executed it, and that he had taken oath before the dean of the place to save the bishop harmless.

Walter, son of Warin¹, rector of the church of Upton by Wych, takes oath, before B. de Feriby, the bishop's clerk and commissary, to indemnify the Bishop touching a writ obtained against him by Robert de la Chaumbre, and brought to the bishop, and all future writs; in presence of J. Caley, notary public, and Gilbert de Coringham.

London, 2 Id. Oct.

Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, takes oath before B. de Feriby, to indemnify the Bishop touching a writ obtained against him by Roger de Beaufoy, and all future writs while he is rector; in presence of J. Caley, notary public, G. de Coringham and J. de Wakerley, official of Gloucester.

London, 2 Id. Oct.

This writ came to London, 16 Kal. Nov., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster on the morrow of S. Martin, Walter, rector of the church of Wolwardington, to answer to William, son of Peter de Wolwardington, in a plea of debt of 26s. 8d., arrears of a yearly rent of 13s. 4d.; the sheriff of Warwick having made return, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, that the said Walter had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 5 July, 33 Edward I. The dean of Warwick is directed to certify execution on the morrow of All Souls.

Return:—The said Walter, rector, is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, 2 Kal. Mar., same year. Writ to the bishop to distrain Richard de Vienne, rector of the church of Ulveston, William de Dalby and Robert de Wylewes, executors of the testament of Peter de Leycestre, deceased, late rector of the church of Thornbury, to appear at Westminster in fifteen

¹ See *ante*, pp. 194, 228.

days from Easter, together with Walter de Berethorp, their co-executor, before John de L'Isle and others, auditors of the account of the tenth lately imposed on the clergy of England in aid of the Roman church, to acquit Roger le Mareschall, now rector of the said church, of 63s. 4d. demanded from him as tenth of the said church for the time of the said deceased rector. Witness, R. de Sandwyco.

Westminster, 10 February, 34 Edward I. The deans of Bristol and Warwick are directed to certify execution by the archdeacon, vicar-general.

1305. Return:—The said Richard and William are distrained to appear as above said. The said Robert is not beneficed in the diocese and has not been found since the receipt of the writ.

This writ came to Creckeled [Cricklade], 16 Kal. Feb., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in three weeks from Easter, Simon de Wymondham, clerk, to answer to the prioress of Markyate, in a plea of debt of 27*l.* 10s.; the sheriff of Hertford having returned in fifteen days from S. Hillary, that the said Simon had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 4 February, 34 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before Easter.

Return:—The said Simon is enjoined to appear as abovesaid.

(Folio 61.) This writ came to Bredon, 6 Kal. Apr., 1306. Writ to the bishop to hold an inquisition as to the lawful marriage of Margery, who was wife of John, son of John Wawepol of Wenelonde [Welland], and to inform the justices at Westminster of the result, by letters patent, in fifteen days from Easter day. The said Margery has demanded against Maud, who was wife of John Wawepol, a third part of one messuage, one ploughland, sixteen acres of meadow, and 30s. rent, in Wenelonde, and against William, son of John Wawepol, of Wenelonde, a third part of one messuage and one virgate of land in the said town, as dower; to which the said Maud and William object that she ought not to have dower because she was never lawfully married to the said John, son

of John. The decision in such a cause belongs to the ecclesiastical court. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 6 November, 33 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to hold inquisition and to certify the result at an opportune time.

1306. Return:—The bishop to the King's justices at Westminster. He has discovered by inquisition that the said John, son of John de Wawepol, married the said Margery, in face of the church, and afterwards lived with her as wife, publicly, for many years.

Bredon, 18 Kal. Maii, same year.

This writ came to Bredon, 4 Non. Apr., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce Simon de Prewys, clerk, at Westminster, in fifteen days from Holy Trinity, to answer to Robert le Blund of Snytenfeld in a plea of debt of 7*l.*; the sheriff of Gloucester having returned in fifteen days from S. Hillary that the said Simon had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 4 February, 34 Edward I. The official of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of Holy Trinity.

Return:—The said Simon is enjoined to appear as aforesaid.

A writ came to Bredon, 4 Non. Apr., same year, by which the bishop is distrained to produce at Westminster, in one month from Easter day, William, rector of the church of Wolwardyngton¹. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester is directed to enjoin the said rector to appear, to sequester his ecclesiastical goods and the fruits and profits of his church, and to certify the bishop thereof before the feast of S. Mark, Evangelist.

This writ came to Bredon, 2 Non. Apr., same year. Writ to the bishop to distrain John de Haukesbury, rector of the church of Irneacton [Iron Acton], to appear at the exchequer at Westminster in fifteen days from Easter, to render his account as treasurer to Godfrey Giffard, late bishop of Worcester, to John de Staneway

¹ See *ante*, p. 207.

and John de Rodeberwe, executors of the will of the said bishop. Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 15 February, 34 Edward I. The official of Gloucester or the dean of Haukesbury is directed to certify execution within three days after the Sunday on which is sung *Quasi modo*¹.

1306. Return:—The said John is distrained to appear as above said.

This writ came to Bredon, 2 Non. Apr., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in five weeks from Easter, William de Uppeton, parson of the church of Lench Randolf, to answer to Thomas de Lench, Joan his wife, and Edmund and John his sons, in a plea of debt of 7*l.* 10*s.*, arrears of a yearly rent of that amount; the sheriff of Worcester having returned in fifteen days from Martinmas, that the said William had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham

Westminster, 26 January, 34 Edward I. The dean of Pershore is directed to certify execution before Sunday, *Misericordia*².

Return:—The said William is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Little Malvern, 4 Id. Apr., same year. Writ to the bishop to levy and produce at Westminster, in three weeks from Easter day, 70*l.* of the goods of Simon de Prewes, rector of the church of Tettebury, to be delivered to Roger de Beaufoy³. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 10 February, 34 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to send speedily the money which he has levied.

Return:—This writ came so late that nothing could be done this time.

Memorandum, that ten marks of the said money have been paid to the said Roger by the hand of B. de Feribi, besides 18*l.* paid to him before.

¹ Low Sunday.

² 2nd Sunday after Easter, "*Misericordia*, *domini plena est terra*," is the Sarum office for that day."

³ See *ante*, p. 207.

J. de Haukesbury, rector of the church of Irneacton, takes oath to indemnify the bishop against the king and others, touching a writ¹, obtained against him by the executors of G.², formerly bishop of Worcester; in presence of B. de Feriby and T. de Stratton, clerks. Thereupon the sequestration of the goods of the said rector was released.

Bredon, Id. Apr., same year.

1306. (Folio 61*d*.) This writ came to Bredon, 17 Kal. Maii, same year. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in one month from Easter day, Adam de Carewell, parson of the church of Todeham, to answer to John de Rustehale, executor of the testament of Henry de Upehavene, formerly rector of the church of Caumpeden, in a plea of debt of one hundred and fifteen marks³. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 17 February, 34 Edward I. The dean of Caumpeden is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Mark evangelist.

Return :—The said Adam is enjoined to appear as above said.

Simon de Wymondham, rector of the church of Marston Sicca, makes oath to indemnify the bishop harmless touching a writ directed to him at the instance of the prioress of Markeyate, and thereupon sequestration was released; in presence of J. Caley and Gilbert de Coringham, clerks.

Bredon, 14 Kal. Maii, same year.

Adam de Carewell, rector of the church of Todeham, makes oath to indemnify the bishop touching a writ, above written, directed to him at the instance of J. de Rustehale, executor of the testament of Henry de Upehavene, and thereupon the sequestration of his goods was released; in presence of T. de Stratton, G. de Coringham, and J. Caley.

Bredon, 10 Kal. Maii, same year.

A transcript of the following writ came to Hertlebury, 8 Id. Maii. Writ to the sheriff of Worcester to attach the bishop

¹ See *ante*, p. 233.

² Godfrey Giffard, 1268—1302.

³ See *ante*, p. 210.

to produce at Westminster, in the octave of Holy Trinity, Nicholas de Bathesdon, clerk, to answer, together with Richard de Alyncestre, clerk, and John de Dumbelton, to the prior of Bredenestok, in a plea of debt of 36*l.* 13*s.*; and to appear himself to hear judgment for not executing a former writ or sending a return in the octave of S. Hillary. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 27 January, 34 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of Holy Trinity.

1306. This writ came to Hertlebury, 16 Kal. Jun., same year. Writ to the bishop to produce, in the octave of S. John the Baptist, Roger de Messingham, vicar of the church of Dounameneye, to answer to Nicholas de Valers in a plea of falsely and maliciously abetting Maud, formerly wife of Richard Fraunkeleyn of Dounameneye, in accusing him of the death of the said Richard, of which he was acquitted by a jury at the king's suit. Witness, R. le Brabanzon.

Westminster, 27 April, 34 Edward I. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to certify execution before the feast of Holy Trinity.

1307. Return:—The said Roger is enjoined to appear as above said.

Roger, vicar of Donameneye, takes oath to indemnify the bishop harmless touching the foregoing writ, and thereupon the archdeacon is directed to release the sequestration on his goods.

Hertelbury, 8 Kal. Jun., same year.

This writ came to Wyk, 7 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, 40*s.* lately levied of the goods of John de Ebroycis, clerk, which ought to have been paid on the morrow of S. Michael last, as appears by return made on that day¹. Witness, W. de Carleton.

Westminster, 10 May, 34 Edward I.

Return:—The said 40*s.* have been sent before by Richard de Bymirton, the bishop's attorney, and he has acquittance by tally.

¹ See *ante*, p. 219.

1307. This writ came to Wyk, 6 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to produce at Westminster, in the octave of Michaelmas, John de Ebroycis, clerk, to answer to Richard de Hopton in a plea of debt of 100s.; the sheriff of Worcester having returned in fifteen days from Easter that the said John had no lay fee. Witness, R. de Hengham.

Westminster, 21 April, 34 Edward I. The archdeacon of Worcester is directed to certify execution before the feast of S. Michael.

Return :—The said John is enjoined to appear as above said.

This writ came to Wyk, 7 Kal. Jun. Writ to the bishop to levy from ecclesiastical goods and benefices and to produce at Westminster, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist, sums due to the King from clerks having no lay fee¹.

Witness, the King.

Winchester, 1 May, 34 Edward I. The official of the archdeacon of Worcester and Gloucester is directed to strictly enjoin with all possible speed the said persons, if they are found, and, otherwise, their proctors or servants, to pay the said sums before the feast of S. Botolph next, to the abbot and convent of Gloucester, collectors, sequestrating the ecclesiastical profits of those who do not pay, and to certify the bishop of the process, by letters patent, before the said feast of S. Botolph.

(Folio 62*d*.) Return :—The following sums have been received by the abbot and convent of Gloucester, since receipt of the present writ :—From the church of Chaddesley, 30s. From the church of Stoke Prior, 30s. 8*d*. From the church of Preston, 8s. 8*d*. From the portion of the prior of Little Malvern in the church of Natford and Byrlingham, 6*d*. From the church of Derham, 20s. 8*d*. From the church of S. John, with portion of the abbot of Gloucester, 7s. 8*d*. From the church of Wolwar-desley, 12s. 4*d*. From the church of Rippell, 53s. 4*d*.; for which sums they will answer on the day appointed in the writ. And,

¹ See *ante*, p. 220. The sums and debtors are the same as those named in the writ dated 5 June, 33 Ed. I.

because more cannot be levied this time, the ecclesiastical goods of those who have not paid have been sequestered and will be kept in strict custody until their debts are satisfied; the said debts are being levied daily, as far as can be done.

1307. A transcript of a writ to the sheriff of Gloucester came to Alvynechirch, 12 Kal. Jul.; by which the bishop is distrained to produce Hugh, vicar of Stonhous, on the morrow of S. John the Baptist¹. The archdeacon of Gloucester is directed to enjoin the said Hugh to appear, and to sequester his goods before the said day.

Hugh, vicar of Stonhous, makes oath to indemnify the bishop harmless touching the foregoing writ; nevertheless, the sequestration of his goods is not released.

The abbey of S. Peter of Gloucester, 2 Kal. Jul., same year.

¹ See *ante*, p. 229.

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